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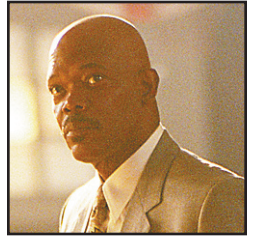
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Tsunami Response

Groups launch relief campaign

By Nikhil Joshi
Staff Writer

Led by SGA, Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), Alpha Phi Omega (APO) and the Georgia Tech Ambassadors, over 50 student organizations are working towards raising \$60,000 in aid for earthquake and tsunami victims in Southeast Asia.

Tony Le, a fifth-year Management and Electrical Engineering major and president of ODK, is part of the team of students in charge of planning the effort. "We decided that we wanted to collaborate," he said. "We have the resources at Tech to come together and do something great."

According to Le, the role of ODK is to "organize and ensure that the organizations involved are collaborating and not competing with each other."

Responsibilities have been divided up between the participating organizations. SGA and Move are in charge of collecting donations at tables located on Skiles Walkway and other places around campus. FAB has organized efforts in housing (going door-to-door to ask for donations). APO has set up buckets at various locations in which contributions can be placed while Greek organizations are raising awareness in fraternities and sororities. Each organization has taken charge of a specific area, Le said.

In addition to collecting donations, student leaders are planning events for which they expect large turnouts to raise money. APO set up a benefit concert scheduled for Jan. 25. Le also indicated that a raffle is a possibility and that students

will ask for donations from small businesses in the area.

Fifth-year Management and STAC major Patricia Breed, a member of the steering committee of TEAM Buzz, which is also part of the fundraising effort, said that "the effort is unique; it is more effective to work together than having one organization take charge of the entire effort."

The target, \$60,000, came out of a challenge to reach every student and member of Tech staff and faculty, put forth by leaders of student organizations. The goal calls for a \$3 contribution from each of the approximately 20,000 people at Tech. According to Le, the idea was first proposed at a leadership retreat.

Undergraduate Student Body President Amy Phuong, Vice President of Student Affairs William Schafer and Vice Provost Robert McMath spoke about the tragedy at a kickoff rally on Jan. 18.

Student leaders feel that the goal can be met and may be surpassed. Jessica Lynn McDonald, SGA chair of cultural affairs, said that "it looks like we will pass it [\$60,000] based on how much help we have already been offered. People will be collecting money at basketball games, football games and other campus events. It is a huge effort."

"It is definitely possible [to surpass \$60,000]," Le said. "People have been very generous. We have not come across any negative attitudes. So far everyone has been helpful."

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Photo courtesy of Nickolas Faust

A scene of the destruction caused by the Dec. 26 tsunami along the coast of Thailand. The disaster caused at least 220,000 deaths. Groups are raising money for victims.



By Jon Drews / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Fit for a King: Participants at an ecumenical service Sunday, Jan. 16 sing in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life. The service's featured speaker was Ga. congressman Sanford Bishop. Tech's FOCUS group sponsored the event. FOCUS aims at increasing the number of master's and doctoral degrees granted to minorities.

Misconduct procedures revised

By Michael Handelman
Staff Writer

If the Faculty Senate approves an updated student conduct code in February, professors will help decide punishments for students convicted of cheating in their classes. Currently, professors are not involved in the crafting of sanctions for students who commit academic misconduct.

This policy change is included in a newly revised "Student Code of Conduct," drafted by the Office of the Dean

of Students and the Student Rules and Regulations committee.

Other proposed changes to the conduct code include defining and creating sanctions for acts of harassment and guidelines regarding the amount of time that students and student organizations may use to respond to student honor code violations.

Increasing the level of professor participation in student academic misconduct cases is expected to decrease the waiting time for accused students to receive a resolution to their case.

According to Assistant Dean of Students Andrea Goldblum, "Most of [the student conduct code changes] have to do with efficiency, and it's efficiency for the students, because the biggest complaint students have is how long these processes take... and most of these changes are designed to make this process more efficient and effective."

Currently, if a student is charged with academic misconduct, such as

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Clough unveils plans for capital campaign

By Haining Yu
Assistant News Editor

Plans for Tech's next fundraising campaign were unveiled to the Faculty Executive Board at their Jan. 11 meeting in a presentation made by President Wayne Clough and Vice President of Development Barrett Carson.

While Tech continuously seeks donations and receives about \$70 million a year on average, the capital campaign would provide a concentrated effort towards large fundraising goals.

Of the billion-dollar campaigns already underway at Tech's peer institutions, the dollar amounts range from \$1 to \$3 billion. According to Carson, no dollar amount has been officially set yet for Tech's campaign; however a \$1 billion mark was identified in the presentation as the preliminary goal.

Upon being questioned on why the number was not set higher, Clough

indicated that the low dollar amount was set as to not scare off donors.

While evaluations and planning began a year ago, and official gift accounting for the campaign already began last July, the campaign is still in the "quiet stage" during which the many details can be worked out.

According to Carson, the next stage of the campaign is to solicit ideas, goals or areas of improvement for which fundraising is needed. The first of such meetings took place Wednesday morning with the academic Deans.

According to Clough's presentation, in the end, all facets of the institute, from faculty to staff to students, will be asked for their opinions on what's needed most.

A large concern pointed out in the Faculty Executive Board was the increasing gap between Tech's annual

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OIT sponsors new firewall software

OIT is now sponsoring a new security program for Tech computers. RealSecure Desktop has replaced ZoneAlarm as the school's supported firewall software. The new program is available for download at OIT's software distribution website, software.oit.gatech.edu.

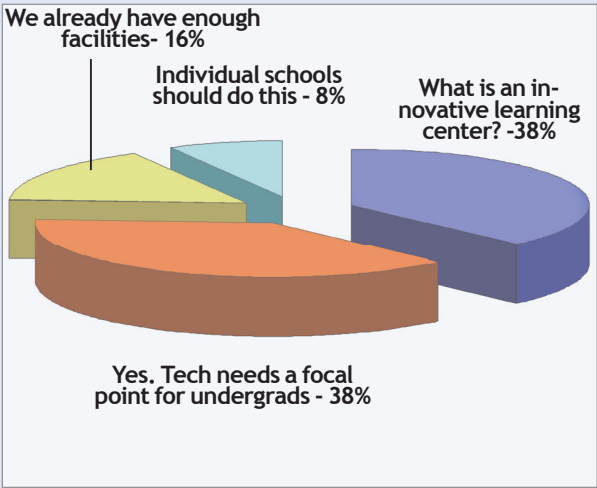
According to an OIT press release, "OIT is operating the central console for RealSecure Desktop users at Georgia Tech. Through the console, OIT will manage the application's firewall policies, collect security event data, and automate the distribution of updates."

Event to feature file sharing debate

The Honor Advisory Council is sponsoring "What's the Download" Monday, Jan. 24 in the Ferst Center. The event is tentatively scheduled for 8 p.m. and will debate the ethics of file downloading online.

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By Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

This week's question:
Should class attendance ever be mandatory?
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GTPD enforces drug ordinance

The Georgia Tech Police Department (GTPD) is now enforcing Atlanta city ordinances for underage alcohol consumption and marijuana possession of less than one ounce. Drug offenders can now be issued a citation to appear in a city of Atlanta court. They can also be arrested on a city ordinance charge by the GTPD. Additionally, GTPD recently trained over 200 Department of Housing staff members to recognize the smell of marijuana as well as recognize various drug paraphernalia.

From the files of the GTPD...
Campus Crime

Community relations training

The entire GTPD has been training in community-organized policing with instruction lead by Deputy Chief Anthony Purcell. Goals of this initiative include improving relations with the campus community and local police. New GTPD campus surveys as well as a new safety committee are designed to create an open forum to discuss problems on campus.

Orange-throwing investigation

On January 7, a report of an orange thrown through an open window was investigated by the GTPD. Crimes such as this result in a follow-up with the room where the object was thrown from. If there

are any injuries, a student conduct violation is issued to the offender, who also must meet with a dean.

Campus crime down 29.7 percent

The GTPD reported a 29.7 percent reduction in crime from 2003 to 2004. Substantial reductions of 40 percent or more were seen in numbers of aggravated assaults, robbery, motor vehicle theft, bicycle thefts and theft from coin-operated machines. Burglary and rape, however, did increase by one incident each this past year. GTPD attributes the overall reduction in crime to focusing on community based policing.

This week's campus crime information contributed by Amanda Dugan

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Making Friday lectures more interesting

Council Clippings



Each week, elected members of the houses of the Student Government Association (SGA) meet to consider allocation bills and talk about campus issues. Here are summaries of those meetings.

Graduate Student Senate

Grads approve three-strikes attendance rule

By Arcadiy Kantor
Senior Staff Writer

The Graduate Student Senate barely met quorum to hold an uneventful meeting Tuesday.

The meeting commenced with a discussion of a new attendance policy being implemented this semester. Secretary Mitch Keller reviewed the policy, which implements a strict three-strikes rule. Under the new rule, a senator's third unexcused absence from a GSS meeting will result in that senator's automatic impeachment.

Senator Pelham Norville, standing in for Vice President Lisa Brown at the meeting, briefly discussed SGA's tsunami relief efforts and urged senators to contribute to the donation fund.

The senators also discussed a survey concerning group health insurance for Tech students. The insurance premiums are expected to rise by a significant amount next year, and the GSS is exploring ways to make the increased cost more manageable.

The only bill considered at the meeting was a previously-postponed allocation to DramaTech to fund the costs of either a new dimmer system

- Bills passed**
- Joint allocation to DramaTech
 - Resolution congratulating GSS member on upcoming wedding

- Bills Withdrawn**
- Joint allocation to the Hong Kong Students' Association

or a new winch. The club estimates that either purchase will cost the same amount, and has agreed to cover one of the two with its own funding.

The bill has been postponed in the past because of confusion about the improper installation of the old winch that is forcing DramaTech to invest in a new one at this time.

SGA had hoped to determine who installed the old winch and subsequently force them to take responsibility for the installation costs associated with a new one.

Those efforts failed, however, and the bill was sent back up for consideration.

The Joint Finance Committee recommended spreading the cost of the winch over two years, funding half of the bill at this time and

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Undergraduate House of Representatives

UHR funds six boats for Sailing Club

By Shan Sharif
Contributing Writer

The Undergraduate House of Representatives held its first session of the semester Tuesday night. A total of six bills were passed, while two were postponed.

Among the bills passed was a joint allocation to the Georgia Tech Sailing Club (GTSC).

According to the representatives of GTSC, the club cannot compete without six boats. Currently, two out of their six boats cannot be used at all due to structural damage. Also, the organization's representatives stated that the last four boats may "go out any minute."

GTSC is asking for six new boats since these six will wear equally over time. The club's representatives believe that purchasing all six boats at one time will be about a 15-year investment. Furthermore, they stated that it is simply not cost effective to simply repair the damaged boats.

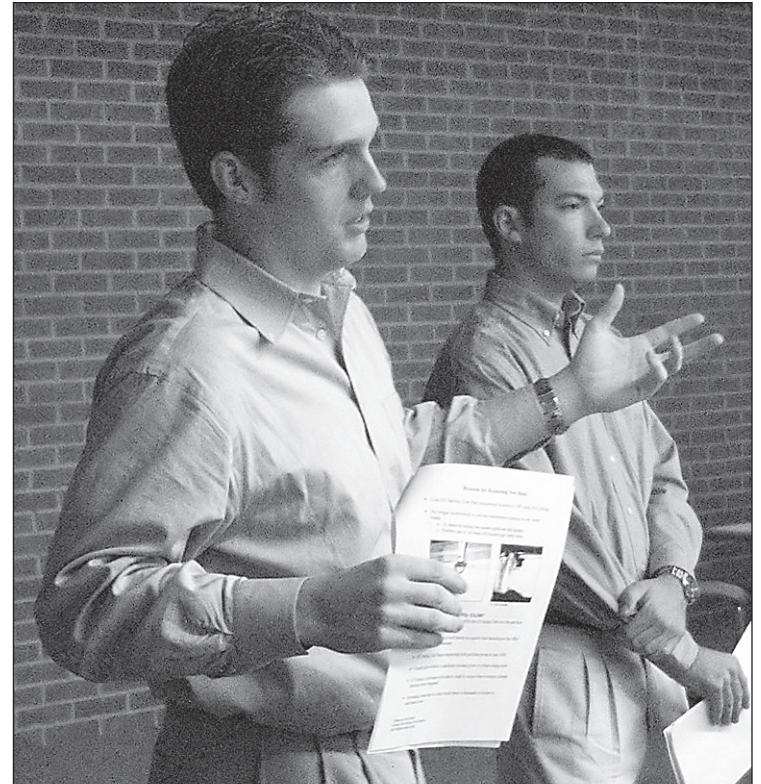
Since meeting with the Joint Finance Committee, the club has raised \$6,000 in corporate sponsorship. However, the sponsorship is probably only available if six boats are purchased. Also, there would be a \$4,000 trade-in value for the old boats.

UHR Representatives discussed splitting the bill in half, with SGA agreeing to fund three boats now and promise to fund three at a later date.

However, some representatives stated that SGA cannot make promises on what they will do in the following year.

GTSC representatives pointed out that funding only three boats would jeopardize the six thousand dollars of corporate sponsorship they had already obtained.

Furthermore, they stated that



By Scott Medway/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Representatives discuss a bill during Tuesday's UHR meeting to allocate more than \$26,000 to the Sailing Club.

the prices for the boats will increase by about three percent if they are not purchased by the end of the month.

An amendment to split the bill in half failed, and ultimately the original bill passed, funding GTSC for six boats.

An old bill to fund DramaTech's failing dimmer system was discussed again. The current system is breaking down at an increasing rate and DramaTech fears the whole system may break down soon. The bill was passed.

The Wreck Racing Club also presented a bill for their chartering. This club was created in August of

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 - Joint allocation to Georgia Tech Sailing Club
 - Joint allocation to the Ferst Center for the Arts
 - Joint chartering of Association for India's Development
 - Joint chartering of Field Hockey Club, Art Infinitem, the Kendo Club, and the Wreck Racing Club
- Bills tabled**
- Allocation to bowling club
 - Joint allocation to Hong Kong Student Association

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By Ethan Trehwitt / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Young Engineers: Tech student Anushka Munasinghe referees as a team's robot performs at the FIRST Lego League competition. Hundreds of middle-school students competed in this past Saturday's event, which was held in the CRC.

Bursar's Office drops credit cards

By Gopinath Jayaprakash
Contributing Writer

Last semester, the Bursar's Office changed its credit card payment process. Instead of charging Tech students a \$25 "convenience charge" for online credit card transactions, as of this semester, Tech will no longer accept credit cards as a payment method.

However, a third party vendor will accept American Express and MasterCard when paying online

at Oscar.

After the implementation of this policy, there was a significant increase in the number of students making their payments via WebCheck from 5,500 to 6,500. The number of credit card payments (using the third party vendor) fell from 3,300 last semester to 686 this semester. There has also been an increase in mail-in payments this semester.

"With tuition becoming an increasing part of our total finance as state appropriations have been

reduced over the last several months, the goal is to provide a safe, convenient and low-cost alternative, and WebCheck is that alternative," said Joel Hercick, associate vice president of financial services.

When asked what made the Office of the Bursar drop the use of credit cards altogether and not stick to the \$25 "convenience fee" for online credit card transactions, Hercick said, "Although we were

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However, Le said, student leaders still face challenges. "The biggest obstacle is being able to reach every single student and member of staff and faculty."

"Getting the word out is another big obstacle," Breed said. "We are trying to put out as many tables and buckets as we can, to try and reach everybody on campus."

Phuong encouraged SGA members to make announcements in class as well as to ask students, professors and faculty to help out and donate. "The challenge of \$60,000 includes the entire community, not just students," she said.

All of the money, McDonald said, will go to AmeriCares.

"One hundred percent of the proceeds will go to the people who need it," she said. "Even a small donation can make a big difference."

"The biggest obstacle is being able to reach every single student and member of staff and faculty."

Tony Le
President, ODK

"There are millions of homeless who need aid this second," Le said. "This is the quickest way to reach them. We have to remember that they have lost everything that we take for granted—and it is difficult to imagine that being taken away."

The campus-wide effort will continue until Jan. 26, the one-month marker of the tragedy.

A closing ceremony event will take place in the Ferst Center Saturday night, Jan. 29.

Students can help out by donating at the various tables or buckets around campus or at sports events.

Those interested in volunteering to collect donations at the tables or elsewhere should contact Jessica McDonald at jessica.mcdonald@sga.gatech.edu.

More information can be found at www.ttr.gatech.edu or at www.move.gatech.edu.

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the other half next fall. According to JFC chair David Anderson, the committee is trying to set a precedent to spread the cost of funding major expenses over several years.

Several senators disagreed with the recommendation, however. Member-at-large Ed Greco inquired about the benefits of allocating only half the money now, considering the organization won't be able to put the

funds to use until such time as they get the remaining amount.

The organization representatives clarified that replacing the winch was not an emergency and the work involved could wait until the fall, but the majority of senators agreed with Greco's logic.

The senate ultimately passed the bill in full.

The meeting concluded with the passing of a spot resolution congratulating a senator for an upcoming marriage.

Panel examines information security



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

A panel of computer experts discussed problems surrounding spam and internet security Tuesday. The panel included FTC Commissioner Orson Swindle and College of Computing Dean Richard DeMillo.

By Abhishek Narula
Contributing Writer

On the morning of Jan. 18, the Georgia Tech Information Security Center (GTISC) in the College of Computing organized the first GTISC Security Summit at the Georgia Tech Global Learning Center in Technology Square.

Addressed by Orson Swindle, commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the main aim of the summit was to examine growing information security issues and to highlight what the government and the IT industry are doing to curb spam and spyware.

This conference was held at Tech because of the increase of spam, phishing and spyware software on the internet; since Tech has a large network, it has been greatly affected

by this trend.

In 2001 e-commerce accounted for nearly eight percent of retail in the U.S. Due to spam and spyware, this number has gone down considerably.

"We are on a journey. It will be exciting, frustrating and fruitful only if we work together."

Orson Swindle
Commissioner, FTC

Swindle, a Tech graduate, explained that consumers worldwide are losing confidence in online businesses

due to this nuisance. "Consumers will lose faith because things on the internet are destroying their computers," he said.

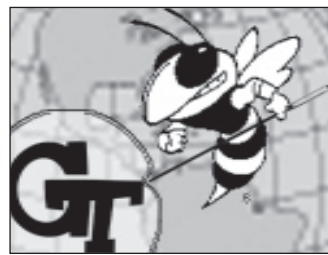
He emphasized that something must be done to prevent this. "Get together and collectively solve this... We must empower consumers to solve this problem," he said.

The most difficult part in this quest is making people aware of the problem.

"Law alone cannot solve the problem," Swindle said. He went on to say that we are never going to stop spam, but a combination of law, technology and consumer awareness can help reduce it. "We are on a journey. It will be exciting, frustrating and fruitful only if we work together," Swindle said.

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Breaking *the* Bubble



A lot of things went on outside the bubble of Tech in the past week. Here are a few important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

Parental kidnappers placed under arrest

Alisha Ann Chambers, 18, and James Canter, 29, were arrested in Tennessee on Wednesday after abducting their two-year-old son Paul and his 11-month-old sister Brianna from their Virginia foster home last Saturday. Police said the children were unharmed.

The couple originally lost custody of their children and were wanted for arrest upon the discovery of a methamphetamine lab within their home.

Sheriff Mark Shook of Watauga County, North Carolina, said, "Parts of the meth lab, the toxic waste and the chemicals were sitting right beside the baby's formula."

The foster mother, who asked not to be identified, said she didn't think Chambers and Canter would intentionally harm the children. "They love them. That's why they took them," she said. However, she noted, "They're influenced by the drugs and the lifestyle that they lead. Those risks are obviously there."

Inauguration sees heightened security

Chief Justice William Rehnquist was set to swear in President Bush for his second term of office at noon Thursday. The affair was to see unprecedented security, although there was no indication that a specific threat had been issued. A large number of law

enforcement personnel and high tech equipment was in place to police the event.

Plans for the ceremony included the traditional inaugural parade after the swearing in of the president, as well as nine inaugural balls.

All of the events cost around \$40 million. According to the Presidential Inaugural Committee, funding for the ceremonies has been provided by private donations and ticket and merchandise sales.

Cow manure lights up Vermont homes

Manure from the 1,500 cows at Blue Spruce Farm in Vermont is being used to power an electricity generator. The generator burns methane gas from the manure, and is expected to provide enough power for some 330 households.

Central Vermont Public Service Corp. spokesman Steve Costello said several farms have produced their own electricity through similar methods, but this is the first time in the U.S. such power generation has been offered to customers.

So far, about 1,000 customers have signed up for the power service, which comes at a cost of approximately 16 cents per kilowatt-hour, to help support the farmers.

Typical residential households pay 12 cents per kilowatt-hour for electricity.

"The girls are now officially producing two streams of income, a milk check and a power check," said Earl Audet, who owns the farm with his brothers.

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cheating or plagiarism, the case is referred directly to the Dean of Students office without an opportunity for students to discuss the charges with their professor.

However, accused students have expressed frustration that they did not have an opportunity to resolve a misconduct issue with their respective professors.

Until this policy, professors were prohibited from contacting any of their students who were accused of academic misconduct.

The biggest question received from students about code of conduct violations is, according to Goldblum, “Why didn’t my professor talk to me about this?”

Despite this new avenue of resolution for misconduct cases, both professors and students have the option to forward a case regarding violation of the code of conduct directly to the Dean of Students office without professor involvement, a process akin to what is currently standard practice.

“At any time, faculty will have a choice of not dealing with it,” said Goldblum. “They can still forward

it on, and anytime faculty can ask us to be there when they talk with the student, and at any time the student can ask that it is referred to us,” Goldblum said.

The updated conduct policy also includes a new clause that defines acts of harassment; the current policy does not explicitly allow students to be charged directly with harassing another student, faculty or staff member.

“Right now we have [a policy] that says that if you hurt someone, or if you disrupt, or if you have weapons...and we have a policy about sexual harassment, but there is no policy prohibiting harassment that may put people in fear, or lead them to not feel comfortable living in a residence hall or going to class,” Goldblum said.

The proposed harassment policy states that “placing another person in reasonable fear of his or her personal safety through words or actions directed at that person, or substantially interfering with the working, learning or living environment of the person” would subject the offending student to determined sanctions.

Goldblum noted that constitutionally protected speech, such as po-

litical speech, would not be restricted by the harassment policy.

However, she expressed concern that some students may construe instances of objectionable free speech as acts of harassment.

“I think that there may be cases where we will have to counsel students about the difference between free speech and harassment and give definitions...often you fight speech with speech,” Goldblum said.

“It is clear that it is not meant to have anything to do with freedom of speech by definition, and there has been a need for it...and there have been people who have been in fear, and there have been people who have been distracted from study, or who don’t feel safe in a lab,” she added.

Another clause in the new policy deals with student response to inquiries by the Dean of Students office.

The policy stipulates that both students and student organizations must “respond in a timely matter” to charges of academic misconduct brought before them.

This clause was put in place to

allow for the implementation of sanctions if a student organization or student refuses to respond to an inquiry from the Dean of Students in a timely manner.

“Currently, the institute can interim suspend a student or remove them immediately in very, very select cases,” Goldblum said.

“For instance,” she added, “if someone is in immediate danger to themselves or others, they can also do that with an organization... One thing that has been added to that is that they can do an interim suspension if they fail to respond in a timely matter.”

This new policy also stipulates that students and student organizations that are convicted of conduct code violations have no more than “six working days” to appeal their case to a hearing panel.

Goldblum is optimistic that the Faculty Senate will favorably receive the proposed changes to the student conduct code, saying, “The Faculty Senate meeting is February 1, so if they pass it, it could be implemented immediately unless they decide to implement it at a later date.”

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Andrea Goldblum
Asst. Dean of Students

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last year.

According to the representative attending the meeting, they purchase, modify and race cars.

So far, the club has been self-funded, and they estimate that their annual budget in the future would be approximately \$4,000. The bill to charter the Wreck Racing Club was passed.

Four bills for the chartering of other organizations were slated together. The slated bills for the joint chartering of the Association for India’s Development, the Field Hockey Club, the Art Infinitum and the Kendo Club were passed.

The Ferst Center for the Arts requested funding for a student representative to travel to New York so the representative could ensure that students’ interests were being kept in mind when booking events for the Ferst Center. The allocation passed.

A new member was appointed to the Joint Finance Committee. Tim Dennis was sworn into his new position on the JFC during the meeting.

Also, an appointment to the Undergraduate Student Council was passed. Thomas Alexander Johnson was sworn in as the new Vice President of Campus Affairs.

Bills for an allocation to the Bowling Club and a joint allocation to the Hong Kong Student Association were postponed.

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pleased with the convenience fee in the fall, an increased migration of students to WebCheck, as well as a significant drop in credit card payments and fees, there were steps we needed to take to counter the changes Georgia Tech faced."

"We got a midyear budget cut from our state corporations amounting to around \$6 million, and thus we needed to look for ways to cut down our expenses," Hercick said.

Hercick also said that the Bursar's Office received feedback from the credit card companies themselves, stating that if Tech planned to charge a "convenience fee" for credit card payments over the web, then it would also have to assess the same fee for WebCheck.

"But," Hercick said, "we did not want to charge \$25 for this cost-effective means for us to receive the payments."

The Bursar's Office recognized that it needed to provide the means by which some of the students could still make their payments using a

credit card online, but with an additional fee.

Bursar Carol Payne was successful in locating a company that would provide a means by which students could still pay using American Express or MasterCard.

"The merchant fees for the credit card payments since its launch in 1998 had amounted to a million dollars, and so we wanted to eliminate 100 percent of it," Payne said.

"So, we tried to take a small step in trying to eliminate some of the cost using the flat convenience fee, as Visa had stated that any charge for credit card payments online had to be a flat fee," she said.

The ultimate goal is to eliminate any fees and the Office of the Bursar was taking small steps to get all the students prepared for the implemented change this semester.

Even though they charged the convenience fee last semester, the measure had only covered 25 percent of the fees.

"This was another reason why we had to move to an avenue that would enable us to make a percentage based charge for credit card payments.

Georgia Tech cannot accept any credit cards [because] we would then have to assess the same charges on WebCheck," Payne said.

Payne said that they are encountering problems with people's notion of WebCheck. One misconception, she said, was the use of the debit card as a means to pay using WebCheck. "There is still confusion of what is a WebCheck. It is really a payment over the web by check, the real paper form. The number asked for is the routing number but some people type in the debit card number," Payne said.

Some students were upset by the change. But others found WebCheck a better alternative than credit cards. "Payments made via WebCheck are much more convenient than using credit cards and I feel the satisfaction that it is saving Georgia Tech money," said William Mays III, first-year Nuclear and Radiological Engineering major. "I felt that the announcement about the change in credit card payment process was much more effective this year as compared to last semester when they introduced WebCheck."

OIT raises weekly student print limit

By Emily Tate
Contributing Writer

Students came back this semester to changes in the printing policies set by the Office of Information Technology (OIT).

The most noticeable change for students upon their return was that instead of the 50 page per week limit from last semester, they had 100 pages at their disposal.

Beginning this semester, students are given the option of printing up to 100 pages from any of the computer labs found on campus (the library, the French Building, and the Student Center). This 100-page allowance is not in effect for every week, however.

Under the current system, up to 50 pages that students do not use from the original 100 pages roll over to the next week for use with the standard 50 pages per week allowance.

Should students need to use more than the set number of pages, OIT still offers services from Central PS,

which allows students to print as many pages as needed.

Another change is the date at which the printing allowances are reset.

Often, students trying to prepare for Monday classes the night before would not have the number of pages necessary to print what they needed for the next day.

In response to this particular problem, OIT has changed the reset time from midnight of Monday morning to midnight of Sunday morning, making pages available for people to print in preparation for Monday classes.

Another complaint OIT received from many students was that they just never knew exactly how many pages they had left for any given week.

In response to problems of this nature, OIT has created a site accessible to students so that wherever they are, they can pull up their printing account.

The webpage with this and other printing information is print.labs.gatech.edu.

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spending and the funding it receives from the state. The indication of large tuition hikes to come also poses a growing need for need-based financial aid.

Faculty pay was another area brought up in the presentation, as Clough stated Tech's need to stay competitive in attracting and retaining top faculty members. New buildings and increases to Tech's endowment are also likely to be on the campaign's "wishlist" of institute priorities.

According to Carson, anything is possible at this point, and he expects the campaign to touch all aspects of Tech, including research facilities, student life, athletics and

scholarships.

A preliminary time line sets the public portion of the campaign to begin on June of 2007, lasting until December 2010.

A rollout period lies in between December 2006, the end of the quiet phase, and June 2007, allowing time for the plan to be presented to major donors across the country. Counting all the phases, the campaign will last roughly six and a half years.

Tech's last capital campaign began with a goal of only \$300 million, but ultimately raised \$711.8 million over the course of five years. Since the end of that campaign in Dec 2000, Tech has already begun working to broaden the range of potential donors, and has identified over 6,000 alumni for the coming campaign.

Capitalizing on Tech's growing reputation, planners are reaching out to many foundations and corporations as well.

Many targeted donors are those who did not contribute in the last campaign, and planners are also hoping that an upswing in the national economy will also help increase charitable inclinations.

During the last campaign, 80 percent of the funding came from .01 percent of the donors. Likewise for this campaign, large donations made by individual entities are expected to make the majority of the funding.

The finalized proposal containing all the details of the campaign is slated to come out this June, in time for the annual meeting of the Georgia Tech Foundation.

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After the keynote address, five panelists from the IT industry discussed their companies' perspective on security issues. The panel consisted of: Gary Betty, President and CEO of Earthlink; Christopher Rouland, Chief Technology Officer of Internet Security Systems; Arthur Coviello Jr., President and CEO of RSA security; Paul Judge, Chief Technology Officer of CipherTrust; and Richard DeMillo, Dean of the College of Computing.

The panel reiterated that there must be a cooperative effort to con-

trol the spread of malicious code on the internet.

One point that was brought up during the discussion was that the future calls for consumer-oriented technology. "We must refocus technology from technology to the end user," said DeMillo.

The panel also urged educational institutions like Tech to play a big role in finding a solution that would instill consumer confidence.

Currently there are no plans for this summit to be held at other higher institutions but GTISC hopes that other institutions will do so, since spam and spyware affect so many people.

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Quote of the week:

"The one serious conviction that a man should have is that nothing is to be taken too seriously."
 —Nicholas Butler

OUR VIEWS CONSENSUS OPINION

Helping hands

Upon students' return to campus from winter break, student organizations immediately sprang into action to raise money to help victims of the catastrophic Dec. 26 earthquake and tsunami in Southeast Asia. At least 50 student organizations led by Omicron Delta Kappa, SGA, Alpha Phi Omega, and Ambassadors are working together to raise \$60,000 in aid by Jan. 26, the one-month anniversary of the disaster. The goal is to reach every student and members of the faculty and staff in the campaign and for each person to contribute at least \$3.

Student organizations have done an excellent job of coordinating fundraising tasks and making an effort to reach the Tech community in a variety of different ways, from door-to-door collections in dorms to the planned Jan. 25 benefit concert. This is not the first time that student organizations have worked together to help those in need. Campus leaders held a similar fundraising campaign after the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We hope, and expect, that this drive will be just as successful, if not more so.

It is important that we demonstrate our continued solidarity as a diverse international community and help the victims of this tragedy. For more information about how you can help, please visit ttr.gatech.edu.

Right stuff

The Office of the Dean of Students and the Student Rules and Regulations committee have drafted changes to the Student Code of Conduct that will positively affect students' rights if approved by the Faculty Senate next month. The proposed changes increase the level of professor participation in student academic misconduct cases. They also include a definition and sanctions for acts of harassment. The final change is a guideline that sets a maximum amount of time that students and student organizations have to respond to honor code violations.

Currently, students accused of academic misconduct only hear about it when contacted by the Dean of Students office and not their professor directly. If the changes pass, students will be able to hear about the allegations from their professors and talk to them about the allegations directly. Alternatively, students have the right to opt out of the new system. The changes will make the resolution process more efficient. It is important that the Faculty Senate approve these changes.

Students must also become more aware of their new rights and responsibilities before they are faced with a violation. We encourage you to read the code of conduct, available at www.deanofstudents.gatech.edu.

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By Erin Gatlin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Five-year plan? How about seven?

All hail the coming of the great and powerful master! I am in total control and can break your wretched existence! Stand in awe at the magnificence of my creations! Bow before me, for I am Root!

Whew!

Sorry about that, but I had to take this opportunity to satisfy my wild megalomaniacal computer scientist cravings.

See, I'm the new guy in charge of the *Technique* server, which is a dream come true for any CS major. I've taken over from my predecessor, who graduated just last month after an extremely productive two and a half years in office.

That in itself isn't very unusual, since the average turnover time for the Online Editor position is two to three years.

What is unusual is that I'm now halfway through my fourth year at Tech and just starting this job.

After all, your average college student usually doesn't wait this long to accept such a prominent leadership post. Even on the *Technique*, most students apply for an editorial position during their second or third year.

This is supposed to be my final semester on campus, so it really doesn't make sense to take on new responsibilities without much time to carry them out.

Why did I even bother accepting this position, then, if I'm only going to be around for another few months?

That would be a really good question if one was to assume that I plan to graduate after four years.

Or five.

Or six.

In fact, I really don't plan on leaving Tech until this country starts gearing up for the next presidential election.

Due to both professional and personal motivations that are too



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Joshua Cuneo
 Online Editor

cumbersome to discuss here, I'm not going anywhere for awhile.

But, you know, I'm okay with that. Yes, it's going to be hard watching a lot of my friends graduate before I do, but it's worth it to be able to move at my own pace and to maintain a sense of balance.

Over the years, I've watched as more and more of my friends have burdened themselves with so many academic and extracurricular commitments, that it's a wonder they even had time for a social life. They pushed themselves to complete the program in three or four years while trying to cram in as much leadership and career experience as they could on the side.

I would much rather extend my stay and stave off much of the overwhelming frustration and stress that plagues students who rush through their degree.

In an era when college students nationwide are taking five or more years to graduate, there's no shame in deciding to stick around for a while.

All of the experts even seem to agree that a longer undergraduate career works to the benefit of both students and employers: students have more time to adapt and grow and explore their own interests and gain valuable work experience, and employers end up with a more productive employee.

I would not be ready for a full-time career if I graduated this semester. But at the rate my education

is progressing, when I finally walk across that stage three years from now, I'll feel much more confident and prepared to take on the real world.

And with the extra time, I can pursue other courses of study outside my computer science degree.

I can throw more effort into my extracurricular activities. I can find time to work out at the gym and hang out with my friends and family and even have a little personal time to myself.

I'll have opportunities to teach, travel abroad and conduct research. And I can do that without being in a perpetual deadline panic.

In the end, I'll be able to walk out with a couple of extra degrees, a good GPA and a lot of life experience to show for it.

So here I am, year four and just now taking my seat on the *Technique* editorial board. I spent my first couple of years limiting my extracurricular involvement so that I could adjust to Tech's academic rigors.

Now I'm a couple of laps behind many of my fourth-year classmates. But I don't care.

I'm happy and content, and I have plenty of time to decide where to go from here.

And now, having said that, I'm off to go rig...er...fix the server. Mwa-ha-ha!

Okay, I'd better stop before the Editor-in-Chief throws me any more menacing glares.

Self-examination challenges news media

Last semester, the *Technique* won a Pacemaker award for the 2003-2004 school year. The Associated Collegiate Press and the Newspaper Association of America Foundation award Pacemakers to about 25 college newspapers around the country based on coverage and content, quality of writing and reporting, leadership on the opinions page, evidence of in-depth reporting, design, photography, art and graphics. The Pacemaker is one of the most prestigious awards in college journalism, and this is the first time the *Technique* has ever won one.

But you didn't read about the award in the pages of this newspaper until now. We didn't cover it at the time because we don't want to give the appearance that we're tooting our own horn, that we're biased in favor of ourselves or that we're ignoring other, more important stories.

Or at least, that's what we tell ourselves. The real reason is much simpler: we, like all news organizations, just don't like to be the subjects of our own reporting.

But what would happen if the news about the *Technique* wasn't good? What happens when a news organization, an organization dedicated to reporting events accurately and without bias, has to look critically in the mirror and report its own failings?



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Daniel Amick
Editor-in-Chief

The question is not academic; all over the country, respected institutions are being put in that position.

The issue first started percolating in my mind when CBS News admitted a few months ago that it ran a faulty story about President Bush's National Guard service. The sight of Dan Rather reporting his own failures to the nation, failures that probably cut his otherwise illustrious career short, was the nightmare of every journalist.

Last Tuesday, an independent panel appointed to find out what went wrong released the results of its investigation. Its findings were scathing.

The panel found that CBS News failed to follow basic journalistic principles in preparing the piece, that a "myopic zeal" blinded individuals to flaws in the evidence, and that when faced with criticism, the organization responded with a "rigid and blind defense." CBS

News responded to the report by firing the producers responsible for the story.

The New York Times has faced similar challenges. The incident most people have heard about began when a young reporter named Jason Blair admitted that he had made up stories that appeared in the paper. After an investigation, the Times printed a lengthy article that detailed how editors had failed to check up on Blair, and how Blair exploited their lack of attention. Several top editors lost their jobs.

A second incident is less well known: the flawed, incomplete coverage of the WMD issue in the run-up to the Iraq War. When it became clear in 2003 that the weapons everyone expected to find in Iraq did not exist, the Times went back and reviewed all of its pre-war coverage. In another lengthy article, the Times found multiple instances when reporters failed to question basic assumptions and statements

made by administration officials. They found a tendency to place inflammatory intelligence on the front page while relegating crucial follow-up articles to the inside. In some cases, follow-up articles never appeared.

In March 2004, *USA Today* found that one of its reporters had plagiarized material and fabricated evidence. After an investigation, two top editors resigned.

Fortunately, the *Technique* has not had to deal with screw-ups of this magnitude. But if problems can happen at these respected organizations, one has to admit that something similar could happen to us. We have a responsibility to admit that possibility to our readers, and to think about responses before a problem emerges, not after. First, we should admit the possibility of error from the start. Second, we should be open with our readers when errors do occur. Journalists love to air other people's dirty laundry, but we have a hard time when the tables are turned.

Finally, we should be open to criticism, whatever the source. You are our first and most important check in this regard. Send us your comments. Tell us we are wrong, that we have no idea what we're talking about, that we are missing something important. We cannot correct a problem unless we know it exists.

BUZZ Around the Campus What was your New Year's resolution?



Andrew Howard
CS Fourth-year

"To get more sleep."



Stephen Chin
BME Third-year

"To dunk over a 6'4" man while blindfolded, preferably while wearing spandex."



Jennifer Nelson
CompE Freshman

"To make it to New York for next New Year's Eve."



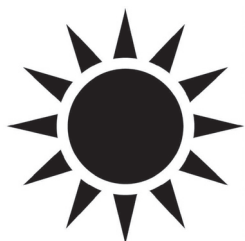
Ellica Moore
BME Freshman

"Eat healthy and work out."

Photos by Michael Skinner

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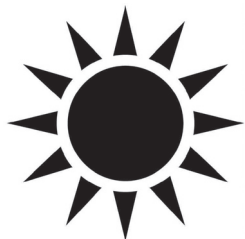
Pages galore

The Office of Information Technology gave students a late Christmas present upon their return to campus with the modification of their printing policy that caused so much discontent last semester. OIT's move is in response to student feedback. While not perfect, the new arrangement does make it easier for students to print professors' numerous slides and handouts.



Swatted

Not a week goes by lately that hasn't brought bad news to our beloved men's basketball team. The team is hurting from the injuries to B.J. Elder and Jeremis Smith, not to mention the two back-to-back losses to ACC opponents. This should be the Jackets' time to shine in the spotlight and receive their due credit. We hope our beloved team recovers soon before we drop any further in the rankings.



Non-trivial

Finally we have an on-campus place to play trivia with the beginning of Trivia and Poker nights at Pandini's. Our wallets also thank GT Dining for all of the new food promotions and specials in the Student Center Commons and food court. Now if they can only work their magic on the dining halls' food.



Anti-truancy

To the horror of physics and chemistry students, professors are now requiring attendance in the large intro-level lecture classes. It is ridiculous to require students to attend large, boring lectures. Professors should let students make up their own minds. After all, it is their grade on the line.

YOUR VIEWS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Johnson will not be forgotten

[Editor's Note: This letter is about Kenneth Johnson, a Student Center employee, who passed away during his shift shortly before winter break.]

I could imagine that nights in the Student Center are not quite same because the life of the party has gone on to a better place. The Tech community lost a dear member of its family shortly before the Winter break when Kenneth Johnson passed away while working his normal shift as the night custodian in the Student Center.

Johnson, better known as Kenny, was a beloved figure to the Student Center staff and all

that passed through its doors from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. His title was that of night custodian; but his job was more of divine messenger.

"There are not enough words to describe how much he will be missed by all that had the honor to stand in his presence."

I remember nights when the stresses of life at Tech would get me down, and I felt like giving up; Kenny would just happen to walk by and remind me that there was a light at the end of the tunnel.

Kenny was the kind of person that would see you looking down and come ask you how you were doing, listen to what you had to say, and keep you focused on the

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Politics non-issue in disaster relief

By Allison Cullin
Independent Florida Alligator (U. Florida)

(U-WIRE) - While there's nothing I love more than a sound political argument, it's hard to see justice in the politicization of human tragedy.

We've done it countless times—when senseless death occurs, we return to the comfortable Republican vs. Democrat discourse rather than the uneasy discussion of our personal stake in the relief work that follows. The reaction to the tragic tsunami in Southeast Asia has been no different.

It's time for us to turn away from political debate and toward the reality of action.

It's clear America's role in the relief efforts will be huge. Gov. Jeb Bush, in personal diaries from his visit to affected areas, recounts the extreme devastation and the need for substantial aid. The initial pledge of \$350 million will go a long way, but it is the donations of American citizens that will define the scope of the relief efforts.

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job that you came to Tech to do. All the while doing everything that was asked of him before it was asked of him and making life better for all around him.

He was always there to offer words of encouragement to students studying hard for exams, talk, share a laugh or a little worldly advice with

Now, almost a month after the Dec. 26 tragedy, we can clearly see the monumental task that lies ahead for people affected by the earthquake and the tsunami. While they rebuild their lives and mourn their dead, it is heartless of us to divide America along political lines.

The tsunami had no political agenda, so let us not dishonor the dead by assigning partisan politics to their tragedy.

As we examine our response, we must remember the first pledges were remarkably low. The United States and other global leaders could not have imagined the magnitude of the damage. Much in the same way, White House officials reminded us our \$350 million pledge "will continue to be revised as the full effects of this terrible tragedy become clearer."

While we continue to pledge aid, we must not forget that the tsunami relief effort is not a bidding war. We must have a clear assessment of the needs of the people ravaged by the deadly wave before we attempt to help. It would be irresponsible to assume the U.S. dollars pledged anybody that stopped to listen.

As a Building Manager, I had the privilege to be around him a little more than most. Yet I would see him talking to students just passing through in much the same way he would talk to me. I soon came to realize that he was just the kind, all-embracing person that we all hope to be.

There are not enough words to

would be more effective than the help of U.S. military aircraft for the transportation of relief items. It would be absurd to assume the American government knows the needs of the affected from so many thousands of miles away.

We are beginning to see the long-term picture. We can begin to target aid to the places that need it most. We can attempt to help people rebuild their lives.

It's time to stop talking about the president's response and start planning your own. The contributions of individual American citizens will amount to far more than the government could ever pledge to the victims.

Stop blaming the government, and stop passing the buck. America will lead, as it always does, from the bottom up.

Our contributions should not come just from an overarching governmental body, but also from the citizens who comprise the heart and soul of the nation. It's time for each of us to step up and do what's necessary.

Say a prayer, and send a check.

describe how much he will be missed by all that had the honor to stand in his presence.

Yet when I think of all the things that Kenny was for me the best thing I can think to do is to say "Thank You."

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A King among men

By Michael Kreicher
The Dartmouth (Dartmouth College)

(U-WIRE) - Martin Luther King was perhaps the greatest social visionary and leader in our country's history. I have great difficulty recalling another figure in our nation's short history who possessed his ability to mobilize and rally support for a controversial cause. Not only should his specific message be practiced by all Americans, but the way in which he led his life should be considered a goal that ought to be attained by everyone.

Martin Luther King Jr., a man with whom I share my famous initials, preached above all else a message of peace and harmony among all races of human beings. He truly believed that all men were created equal and should thus be treated as equals. He did not wish to place himself or his race above others, as his white opponents surely did. Instead, he strived to establish a culture in which people did not judge one another by superficial characteristics such as the color of their skin but by the quality of their heart.

Most importantly, despite the fact that Dr. King faced overwhelming and often violent adversity, he continued to preach a non-violent method of protest that ultimately prevailed in the 1960s. His contributions to American society were unparalleled in his time and remain some of the most important changes in this country's history.

The teachings of Martin Luther

King Jr. are too frequently forgotten or not followed in today's America. Violence is still used as the answer to many of life's problems. Hate crimes remain frequent in our country and, despite efforts to increase the penalties for committing such crimes, a culture of hate and violence continues to exist. Even in trivial circumstances such as a bar or a frat basement, the use of violence is occasionally threatened as a solution to a conflict. If people were sincere in their honoring of King's legacy, the fact that America stands as one of the most violent societies in the world would be reversed.

Martin Luther King Jr. also represented a man who was willing to die for his cause. He told us that life is not worth living unless we exhibit passion and faith in our beliefs and causes. This way of life should be followed by all, but it rarely is. I question if I have a cause of belief that I would be willing to die for. Unless we dedicate ourselves to our work and our beliefs, I don't believe that we will have led a fulfilling life.

The true meaning of Martin Luther King Jr. Day is for each and every American to look at his own life and consider what causes he holds closest to his heart. What causes would you devote your time and energy to and what beliefs would you stand up and defend? We should all thank him for the difference he made on our society and, more importantly, seek to live our lives with even half the dedication and devotion that he showed.

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BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS

The *Nique* revisits the '60s to see how the Institute's first black students ushered in a relatively peaceful integration. Page 12

BETTER THAN THE REAL THING?

The Fox Theatre hosted a stage version of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* this week. See how the non-animated version measured up. Page 17



TSUNAMI STORIES

Members of the Tech community who witnessed the disaster firsthand share their experiences



Photos courtesy Nickolas Faust

On visits to Phuket and Phi Phi island—both popular tourist destinations in Thailand—GTRI researcher Nickolas Faust saw many areas completely devastated by the tsunami (above), as well as sobering reminders of the death toll, such as the stuffed animal he found washed ashore (top right).

GTRI researcher travels to Thailand to establish ties, address mapping needs

By Jennifer Lee
Focus Editor

Nickolas Faust is still a little jetlagged.

After arriving back in Atlanta this week from a nine-day mission to Thailand, Faust is just now getting a chance to sit down, analyze and reflect on his trip—as well as get over the 12-hour time difference.

Faust, a research scientist with the Georgia Tech Research Institute, is also the vice president of the International Center for Remote Sensing Education (ICRSE), a non-profit organization that works to deliver geographic information to the professional workforce and society at large.

Faust and ICRSE's president, Tim Foresman, visited Thailand from January 8-17 in an spur-of-the-moment volunteer effort.

Their goal was to provide mapping resources that would help aid in the disaster relief and also in longer-term planning.

"It was just something we thought we had to do," Faust said.

"We essentially bought airline tickets in about two to three days and...flew over to Bangkok," he said. "I basically paid for my airfare myself."

The two visited various parts of Thailand, including Phuket and Phi Phi island, which are both heavy tourist areas.

"This is a perfect case where before-and-after imagery can help you do an assessment of what's going on over there."

Nickolas Faust
GTRI research scientist



In the short time they were there, they worked to assess the needs of the region in terms of geographic information, and more importantly, establish relationships with organizations working in the area.

"We weren't really making maps while we were over there," Faust said. "What we're trying to do is really a coordination role—do what we can to get people to talk to each other, trade data and set up."

Faust, who is the associate director of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Center at Tech, specializes in using satellite imagery to update maps. Using new imaging technology, maps can now be made with a resolution of one meter, allowing for incredibly detailed maps that allow the viewer to see individual buildings—and the damage they may have sustained.

This, Faust said, is exactly what is needed in the tsunami-devastated region.

"This is a perfect case where

before-and-after imagery can help you do an assessment of what's going on over there," he said.

He added that mapping is a tool that can be used in many other applications, including city planning and environmental assessment.

In Thailand's case, for example, "Most of the need [was for] good, accurate maps to plan for reconstruction...and to look ahead into the future [so as] not to make the same mistakes," he said.

Their work also tied into a United Nations effort to establish a network for tsunami warnings, such as the warning system that currently exists in Hawaii and allows residents hours notice in the case of a tsunami. "Nothing like that exists in the Indian Ocean area," Faust said.

Much of the nine-day trip was spent meeting with organizations to coordinate future relief efforts. Their main partnership was with

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Architecture prof returns from Sri Lanka with his, others' stories

By Swathy Prithivi
Contributing Writer

Ronald Lewcock, a professor in the College of Architecture, was in Colombo, Sri Lanka at the time of the tsunami. Luckily, Lewcock was staying in an area that was not severely affected. Nevertheless, he still had many stories to tell—some of which he shared with the Technique.

Technique:
How did you happen to be in Sri Lanka at that time?

Lewcock:
My wife is Sri Lankan, and we were having Christmas with our family.

How much of the crisis did you experience?

[The location] where we were staying has rather deep waters and was not that affected. We saw the damage on the roads and we saw the people running, very upset.

That was all we saw, really. The damage was done where there were surfing [or] fishing beaches, because they were long shallow beaches.

to the U.S.?

I did not find that the airports were seriously affected and there was no real problem with flying out.

Were any of your acquaintances, friends or family affected?

A cousin of mine and her husband were resting in their rooms on the beach when the door broke down and the water came in. They [were carried] up to the ceiling with half an inch of air left...they were going to drown.

At the last minute, the water went out...it went out very fast, [so] they fell onto the floor and hurt themselves quite badly.

What really shook her was that they were the only people in that row of buildings to survive. So she is very badly traumatized by this experience.

I heard a similar experience from another person who was in a room and the door broke down, but the wave brought people in

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Ronald Lewcock
Architecture professor

Was it easy for you to get back

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Photo courtesy Nickolas Faust

On his nine-day trip to Thailand, Faust encountered many different relief organizations—including Buddhist monks, who were in many places offering comfort and spiritual guidance to tsunami victims.

For Tech's first black students, a quiet integration

By Joshua Cuneo
Senior Staff Writer

In September 1961, Ford Greene, Ralph Long, Jr. and Lawrence Williams made history when they strolled onto campus as the first black students to enroll at Tech.

It was an era when the Civil Rights movement was gaining strength and deep streaks of racism still ran through the southeastern United States. As a result, the level of outcry and violent op-

position from the students and staff was...well, nonexistent.

Following the Supreme Court's decision in *Brown vs. Board of Education*, then-President Edwin Davies Harrison had watched as violence erupted at the University of Georgia two days after it had been integrated at the direction of a federal judge in Macon.

This had followed the now-infamous Sugar Bowl crisis of 1956, when the campus erupted in protest over

Tech's decision not to play in the Sugar Bowl because the opposing team—the University of Pittsburgh—had a black fullback.

Harrison embarked on a massive undertaking to avoid a similar upheaval, making Tech the first university in the Southeast to integrate peacefully and without a court order.

"Dr. Harrison had done an amazing job of engineering the whole project in that he was extremely cautious about preparing the faculty [and] the staff [and] the student body," said Marilyn Somers, Director of Tech's Living History Program.

Standing before an assembly of the student body, Harrison said that any student caught resisting or protesting the arrival of Tech's first black students would be expelled immediately.

He also hosted a series of dinners between the families of the new students and the student leaders to allow them to become acquainted with one another.

And in an unusual twist, he asked the Atlanta police to keep the media off the premises to avoid fanfare.

"Surprisingly, there

wasn't a lot of...interest on the part of the student community. Everybody at Tech apparently was so busy with projects... [that] nobody paid a lot of attention to it," Somers said.

"There was no disruption at all. Everything went on as normal, and [the new students] quickly got into the scholastic life," she said.

Long and Williams stayed at Tech only a short time before they left to pursue other interests, but Greene excelled academically thanks to years of preparation from his own family. Greene's parents were educators with dreams of their son becoming the first to integrate Tech, so they raised him with a rich cultural and academic background and encouraged him to excel in sports.

"He felt his parents were grooming him to come and be part of the integration," Somers said. "No one knew when it

was going to actually take place, but there were many outstanding young students in the black community that were being told, 'Do the best you can, and you could be the one to integrate.' It just happened that it fell on the shoulders of Ford Greene."

Greene eventually left as well when the administration refused to let him play on the Institute's football team, but he paved the way for many other notable figures in the following decade:

Ronald Yancy had applied before Greene in 1961 but wasn't accepted until the fall quarter of 1962, due to some hesitation on the administration's part. He was awarded a

degree in electrical engineering in 1965, marking this year as the 40th anniversary of the first black student to graduate from Tech.

Enoch Ward, a chemical engineering major, became the first black student to integrate campus housing in 1964. He was forced to change roommates when the parents of his original roommate protested the pairing of Ward with their son.

Eddie McAshen, Tech's first black athlete, enrolled in 1969 on a football scholarship.

Clemmie B. Whatley became the first black female student to graduate from Tech when she was awarded a masters degree in mathematics in 1973.

Somers, who has interviewed several of these people and others, said that their experience was marred only by a sense of social isolation, which would be expected at an institution that

was predominantly white.

"It's really amazing when you talk to these people," Somers said. "They have recollections of feeling isolated, but none of them felt any animosity from any professors that they ever expressed to me."

Their transition into student life went just as quietly. Students either ignored them or welcomed them with open arms.

"All the organizations on campus were receptive to them," Somers said.

"They could come to the Y, they could go to the Baptist Student Union. They joined band [and the]

"Dr. Harrison had done an amazing job of engineering the whole project... there was no disruption at all."

Marilyn Somers
Director, Living History Program



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Ford Greene, Ralph Long, Jr. and Lawrence Williams were the first three black students to enroll at Tech in 1961.

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High honors bestowed upon two Tech students

Jeremy Farris named 2005 Rhodes winner; Ambika Bumb receives Marshall scholarship

By Usha Kantheti
Contributing Writer

A passion for math and science is what led both Ambika Bumb, a senior in Biomedical Engineering, and Jeremy Farris, a senior in International Affairs, to Tech.

Though their undergraduate education took them down different paths, both Farris and Bumb have ended up at a similar juncture: both are the recipients of prestigious scholarships for 2005.

Bumb, a senior in Biomedical Engineering, won the 2005 Marshall Scholarship, while Farris, a senior in International Affairs, became one of the 32 Rhodes Scholars of 2005.

With these scholarships, both will have the opportunity to continue their education at the University of Oxford in England.

The intellectual undertaking of these two Scholars began long before they arrived at Tech.

"In high school, I was really interested in math and science, like any Tech student," said Farris, a native of Warner Robbins, Georgia.

His interest led him to participate in several science fairs and competitions. For one such project, Farris developed a new pathogen against the prolific and invasive plant kudzu.

His project earned him the best of category award in microbiology at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in 1999.

This success also opened other doors for him: he was chosen to serve as an American delegate for the

Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation in Singapore a year later.

"[My trip to] Singapore was my first out-of-country experience," Farris said.

Though he entered Tech as a Biology major, the trip to Singapore served as a catalyst to explore other interests, such as studying abroad.

With the encouragement of a faculty member, International Affairs Professor Kirk Bowman, Farris took opportunities to travel to other countries as well.

"I was interested in the philosophy of science—in epistemology, or how science gives us knowledge," Farris explained. Realizing this was something beyond science and research, he switched his major to International Affairs.

Bumb's decision to enter the field of biomedical engineering was based on a similar combination of interest, influence and experience.

Born in India, Bumb grew up in Greenville, South Carolina, and was surrounded by a family of doctors and engineers.

"[I like] engineering because math and science were my areas of strength,

and medicine because I really felt like you're benefiting somebody by doing the job every day. You'll feel that satisfaction every day," Bumb said. "Biomed seemed like the perfect match of the two."

But Farris's and Bumb's experiences at Tech have not been strictly academic. Both have devoted a considerable amount of their time to several campus organizations.

"All the organizations that I've been in have been influential

because you not only learn to work with different types of people but to attack problems from different views—because everyone comes with a different view of how to fix the problem," said Bumb, who, as a treasurer for the Joint Finance Committee, helps SGA apportion its financial resources.

Also a member of the service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, Bumb still has the time to pursue her favorite pastime: dancing.

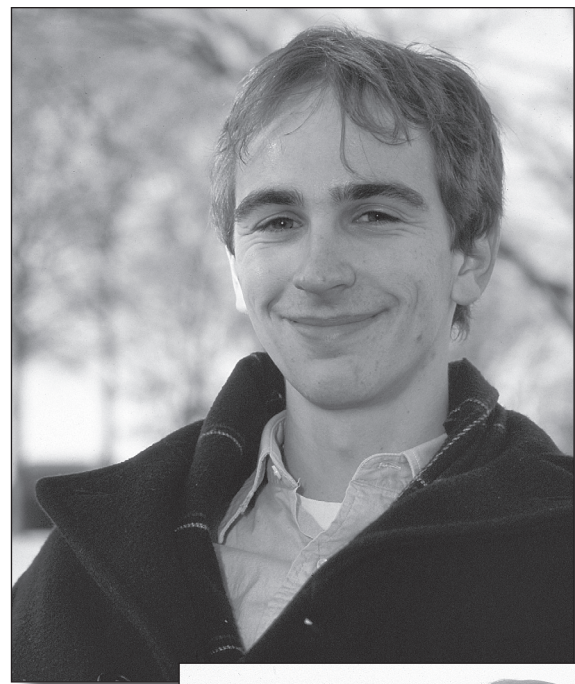
She is trained in Indian classical and folk dance and has learned salsa and tinikling, a Filipino dance.

"It's a way of knowing another ethnicity or society," said Bumb, who has been dancing since she was five and is now a member of Nazaaqat, an Indian dance team that performs on campus.

Farris, too, developed a hobby

"[The Chess Club] has been rewarding...I'd like to think that I am teaching at-risk children to think before they move, not just in chess but in real life."

Jeremy Farris
2005 Rhodes scholar



Jeremy Farris, a senior in International Affairs, was named a 2005 Rhodes finalist in December. He is the third Tech student to win the Rhodes scholarship.

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Ambika Bumb, a senior in Biomedical Engineering, recently received the 2005 Marshall scholarship. She is the sixth Tech student to garner this honor. Both Bumb and Farris will use the scholarships to study at Oxford University.



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Glee Club...All of them were very, very active students."

Many of Tech's early black graduates went on to pursue successful careers in a variety of fields. When they look back, Somers said, they regard their experience at Tech as invaluable.

"If you look at their careers after they graduated from Tech, they all have brilliant careers," Somers said. "Well, obviously...this was right place

for them to be, and they did well."

Even the early pioneers who did not graduate from Tech helped establish a sense of community between themselves and the rest of the student body, which encouraged an increasingly larger number of black students to enroll.

"They formed close relationships. Everybody knew everybody. They encouraged each other. They supported each other," Somers said. "They were definitely role models for the black community. Everybody was rooting from them. Everybody

wanted them to succeed, and most of them did."

The era since the days of Greene and others has seen remarkable improvements in opportunities for black students on campus, including the creation of the Office of Minority Educational Development, the introduction of black fraternities and sororities, and the birth of the African-American Student Union.

The Technique will have more about the history of African Americans at Tech during Black History Month.



Photo courtesy Alumni Association

In an assembly of the entire student body, Edwin Davies Harrison, Tech's president in 1961, made it clear that any student resisting the arrival of Tech's first black students would be expelled immediately.

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with it. They all floated up to the ceiling, and they dropped down... when the wave had gone they went out to see who was left on the beach and there was nobody. It was absolutely deserted...and it had been a crowded beach before. I heard many stories like that.

How do you feel about the relief operations and the infrastructure supporting it?

The roads run along the coast for scenic reasons, and they were all damaged. There was actually no communication possible for a while between Colombo, the capital city of Sri Lanka, and the main city in the south, as the main road was damaged very badly and unusable for a long period of time.

They got the road open after...12 to 24 hours, and this was the main link between the two cities.

There is a serious concern about long-term aid. I think on the whole, people are finding it hard to cope with the enormity of the problem. People are worried that due to lack of central organization that there may be too many people [from relief organizations] going to some places

and not enough to other places.

The scale of the disaster is hard to comprehend. In Sri Lanka, it means a half a million people have not only lost everything, but are also traumatized and actually mentally disturbed by all of it.

We know of the relief efforts going on around campus. How is the Architecture Department helping in particular?

I am hoping to put the Architectural department in touch with an architect in Sri Lanka who is in the process of organizing both emergency housing (lasting a few months) and temporary housing (lasting up to five years but no more).

"I am hoping to put the Architecture department in touch with an architect in Sri Lanka who is...organizing... emergency housing."

Ronald Lewcock
Architecture professor

What is your perspective on the entire crisis?

One concern is providing shelter to people living without any covering at all. Another concern is human waste; the ground is waterlogged and so the normal way of just digging a hole doesn't work any more. This might cause rampant spread of disease. Also, the lack of organization in the government is a real problem. If anyone out there is interested in volunteering to help the victims of this crisis, please visit www.volunteersrilanka.org.

Tech Up Close

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Faust hopes to bring mapping technology to disaster area

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the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), with whom the group already had contacts.

“We decided...that the best way to try to get mapping help for the relief agencies and the other people who were trying to assess damage was to... foster AIT to be a central resource for people who needed maps over the effective area,” Faust said.

He and Foresman worked to establish relationships with AIT officials, install mapping software at AIT, and assess IT infrastructure. They also met with various aid agencies, such as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Many of these meetings were arranged “on the fly,” and much of their effort in Thailand depended on a network of personal connections.

For example, Foresman used to work with UNEP, and already had many contacts there. One of the people they worked with at AIT was a Sri Lankan, and had many connections in that nation. In addition, many AIT graduates moved on to work in aid agencies, and the university was already serving as a base for many of the immediate relief organizations that were in

Thailand.

According to Faust, many organizations they spoke to were very receptive to working with them. “Some agencies had people in the field and had no maps at all,” Faust said.

There was also collaboration back home in the U.S. For example, Leica Geosystems, an Atlanta-based company, provided free mapping software for Faust and Foresman to take to Thailand.

And though Faust’s volunteer work is through his nonprofit organization rather than GTRI, he acknowledged the support from the Tech community.

“We found things on the beach like baby shoes and teddy bears that were just...hard to imagine.”

Nickolas Faust
GTRI research scientist

“There are a lot of people around Georgia Tech—especially in the GIS Center—that are calling me up or sending emails saying, ‘How can I help?’” Faust said.

However, Faust said ICRSE’s efforts will take place over the next year or so, during the rebuilding stage of the disaster relief.

Therefore, though he is seeking funding, he acknowledges that much of money being poured into relief, such as the Tech Tsunami Relief effort, need to go to immediate aid such as food and housing.

This was evident in their travels around Thailand. Many areas Faust visited were nearing the end of the cleanup stage, much of the debris having been bulldozed clear.

In other areas, though, the devastation was still great.

Faust showed me a brochure he had brought back with him. On the front was a picture that looked like something out of a travel magazine: a quaint island resort, set to a backdrop of sand, palm trees and blue sky.

Then he showed me a photograph that he had taken of the same location. This time, there were two women in the foreground, and sand, palm trees and debris in the background. There was no resort to be seen.

“We talked to [the] lady who owned the resort,” Faust said, pointing to one of the women. “Her father was killed, and a number of people who worked with her.”

He also witnessed a memorial service for Australians who had been killed.

“The last day we were in Phuket... I was out running on the beach and just happened to come across it,” he said. “It was really a moving ceremony.”

Faust also has photos of shrines set up along the beaches.

“Buddhist monks were in a lot of different places trying to help people come to grips with what was going on,” he said.

And he also has more sobering photos: one of a stuffed animal, another of a lone tennis shoe, both washed up on the sand.

“It was amazing, especially since a third of the people [who died] were children,” Faust said. “We found things on the beach like baby shoes and teddy bears that were really just...hard to imagine.”

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of his own at the age of five: playing chess. He has now turned that hobby into a philanthropic mission by founding the Chess Club, through which he gives young children not just lessons in chess, but lessons in life.

“[The Chess Club] has been rewarding,” Farris said. “I’d like to think that I am teaching at-risk children to think before they move—not just in chess but in real life.”

In addition to the Chess Club, Farris is also a member of the Philosophical Society and has been involved in the McEver Program for Engineering and the Liberal Arts, under LCC Professor Ken Knoespel, who Farris said is one of three Tech professors who had an enormous influence on him.

The other two are Bowman, who encouraged Farris to travel abroad, and Public Policy Professor Jon Johnston, who Farris describes as a “Socrates figure” who introduced him to philosophy.

“These men have changed my life in ways that I have never imagined,” Farris said.

According to Farris, his trips abroad were an integral part of his education at Tech. He feels study abroad should be part of every undergraduate curriculum.

“I believe university education is not reducible to what people think it is,” Farris said. “It is not a job training. Education is something that is far more complex and should be transformative.”

For Bumb, the inspiration towards academic excellence came in the form of Barbara Boyan, a Biomedical Engineering professor.

“Whenever I had questions, she was always there as my mentor: she helped guide me, she gave me resources, and she was just a good person to bounce off ideas and academic questions,” Bumb said. “She just excites you about whatever you’re working on.”

In addition to the support received from faculty, both Farris and Bumb agreed that the encouragement from their family has been crucial.

“I want to thank my family for giving me unconditional support,” Farris said.

“Family is always the biggest motivating factor,” Bumb said. Her sister, Shalini, a freshman at Tech, seems to be following in her sister’s footsteps, majoring in Biomedical Engineering as well.

“My parents definitely pushed me to do as much I could in whatever it was—whether it’s academic or extracurricular,” Bumb said.

Next fall at Oxford, Farris will pursue a doctorate in political theory, while Bumb plans to pursue a doctorate in medical engineering.

“Whenever I had questions, [Boyan] was always there as my mentor...she just excites you about whatever you’re working on.”

Ambika Bumb
2005 Marshall scholar

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LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX

Kinsey explores society's views on sex and morality in a biopic about a 1948 biology professor. **Page 21**

BRIGHT FUTURE

The women's basketball team has improved greatly this season thanks to a new crop of players. **Page 27**

Good Company lacks sincerity, wit

By Jessica Luza
Contributing Writer

The premise of *In Good Company* is not difficult to follow, nor is it that entertaining. Dennis Quaid's middle-aged character, Dan Foreman, loses his head honcho advertising sales position at *Sports America Magazine* to an up and coming 26-year-old business protégé named Carter Duryea, played by *That 70's Show*'s Topher Grace.

From the previews alone you can infer that Carter begins to have a risqué relationship with Dan's daughter, Alex (*Lost in Translation*'s Scarlett Johansson).

The relationship would seem to be a large focal point of the film, but it is actually just a miniscule detail.

Also from the previews, *In Good Company* looks like a cutesy movie that will have audiences opening their eyes and hearts to a new and meaningful perspective on life, but this too is where the preview is terribly misleading.

Dan's company is purchased and

he realizes that he could be easily dispensable. Dan loses his job to Carter who is being groomed for his next position atop the corporate ladder.

Carter meets Alex in the elevator on his first day of the job where he reveals to her that he is "scared shitless." Instead of getting fired like most everyone else in the com-

pany, Dan only receives a huge kick to his ego and is forced to become Carter's "wingman."

Soon after, things start to get semi-interesting. Dan's wife becomes pregnant. Yes he is 52, but they are still going to have a baby. Meanwhile, Carter's wife of

six months moves out.

Dan learns he has to take a second mortgage on his house to pay for Alex's transfer to NYU. Carter purchases a Porsche.

When Dan and his wife sign the papers for their second mortgage, Carter signs the papers to finalize the divorce from his wife. Do we see the lives of the two lead males paralleling yet?



Photo courtesy Universal Pictures

Topher Grace plays Carter Duryea, the much younger boss of Dan Foreman (Dennis Quaid) in the Universal release *In Good Company*.

Alex transfers from SUNY to NYU, while Carter sells his lavish house and downsizes to a well decorated apartment in the city as well. A chance meeting at an outside café in New York City jumpstarts the beginning of Carter and Alex's secret affair.

As Dan buys baby supplies for his child on the way at Target, Carter purchases Alex an extremely expensive diamond necklace. Dan discovers their secret. Gasp! Like we didn't see that one coming! Carter gets a black eye courtesy of Dan. Alex subsequently breaks up with Carter

(but not for her dad's sake).

Sports America Magazine is sold (again), Carter loses his job and, you guessed it, Dan is given his old position and old office.

Alex and Carter meet again near the elevators. Carter declines the new position that he is offered from Dan to remain a part of the *Sports America* team.

Dan's wife gives birth to another daughter. Carter receives the phone call about the birth while he is jogging on a beautiful beach into his

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Golf expo tees off this weekend

This weekend, the Fourth Annual Atlanta Golf Show is coming to town at the Gwinnett Convention Center. The show features over 100 exhibit booths, hitting nets, one-on-one instruction from PGA professionals and presentations by PGA Master Professional Charlie Sorrell. The show is open on Friday from noon to 8 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets cost \$8, and children under 12 get in free with an adult.

Dance and sing for tsunami relief

This Saturday, Jan. 22, Libby's: A Cabaret is hosting "South Asian Tsunami Benefit with Atlanta's Top Cabaret Performers." The lineup includes Lisa Paige, Robert Ray, Wendy Melkonian, Beverly Blouin, Kenya Hamilton, Courtenay Collins, Chris Bouchard, Marsha DuPree, Dennis Durrett-Smith, Carolyn Calloway and Robert Strickland. Proceeds go to the AmeriCares Foundation, providing relief in ravaged areas. The show starts at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$125 for the show and dinner. Libby's is located at 3401 Northside Parkway Atlanta 30327.

Rialto center jazzes up weekend

On Saturday, the Rialto Center for the Performing Arts is hosting the Lincoln Center Afro-Latin Jazz Orchestra led by Arturo Oarrill. The group features 18 powerful soloists from the jazz scene ranging from established classic jazz artists to new performers. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets range from \$36 to \$62.

Because you gotta collect something

On Sunday the Marriott Northwest (200 Interstate North Parkway) will be hosting the Atlanta Record and CD Show. The show will provide a venue for the purchase, sale and exchange of all manner of recordings, from all formats and all genres of music. It'll cost you a whopping \$3 to get in, and the show is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Music for People Who Love Cars

From the people that brought you the Accord, the Civic and that hideous van-thing comes the Honda Battle of the Bands at the Georgia Dome. The show will feature all the hottest bands who, along with rocking out, also want to be associated with better gas mileage for you and your loved ones. Honda: We Can Rock, Too. The show starts at 3 p.m. and tickets cost \$10.

Beauty and the Beast takes stage at Fox

Stage version fails to capture the magic, still delivers dose of fun



Photo courtesy Rick Diamond

Belle reads aloud to the children of the "small provincial town" in the large-scale opening scene, well-known from the Disney cartoon. The Theater of the Stars' production of *Beauty and the Beast* ran at the Fox Theatre Jan. 8-16.

By Swathy Prithivi
Contributing Writer

Asinging candelabra and dancing china sure can add zing to any meal and they sure enlivened the Theater Of The Stars' production of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, which played at the Fox Theatre Jan. 8-16.

Beauty and the Beast is definitely

one of the most beloved animated movies of all time. This musical production of the classic Disney movie is colorful, lively and at times gaudy.

The beautiful intelligent Belle lives with her eccentric inventor father in a "small, provincial town" in France. The sleepy town seems too small to fulfill book-loving Belle's

thirst for excitement.

Her wish for "adventure in the great wide somewhere" comes true when she encounters a fearsome Beast in a gloomy castle who has her father locked up in a dungeon. Seeing her father's plight, she agrees to take her father's place as the Beast's prisoner.

The Beast is in reality a young

prince who has been transformed by an enchantress' spell due to his apparent lack of humanity. The Beast has to learn to love and to be loved by the time the last petal falls from an enchanted rose. If not, he will remain a Beast forever.

Can he learn to love someone and

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Coach Carter wins with class

By Halley Espy
Staff Writer

Dribbling with a crusading element to spark desire in twelve high school basketball players, Samuel L. Jackson scores with a solid performance in *Coach Carter*.

Based on the true story of Coach Ken Carter benching his entire high school basketball team for poor academic performance in 1999, the movie hinges on building up to the moment of the lock-out of the gym after the team has achieved an undefeated season.

Samuel L. Jackson carries the film by delivering a dynamic performance. He commands the boys'

"He challenges each player to earn the privilege to play basketball by signing a contract mandating a 2.3 GPA."

attention as well as the audience with riveting speeches with his "zero tolerance glare" and with enforcing a minimum standard of conduct on and off the court.

Returning to his alma mater in Richmond where his basketball records still stand, Carter takes a group of undisciplined and impoverished teenagers and fuses together a combination of fundamental basketball skills, moral implications, self-worth and academic achievement.

He challenges each player to earn the privilege to play basketball by signing a contract mandating a 2.3 GPA.

The Oilers prove to be a tough group of inner-city high school students with no incentive in the

classroom or in the community to strive for a better life.

Carter drives his point of the value of education combined with basketball talent with the unnerving statistic that 80 percent of young black men in Richmond will end up in prison.

Entertaining to a diverse audience, the MTV production merits a classic sports film. Aside from hockey game scenes and dramatic fans, *Coach Carter* captures a realistic feel to the boys' situation, the triumph of teamwork and the values instilled for life.

The boys come to realize the value of Coach Carter's philosophy and

work toward a brighter future by upholding the academic standard as agreed to in Carter's contract to play.

The film builds to a strong climax interspersed with down-to-earth storylines and molding of a team. Ashanti makes a debut performance portraying the pregnant girlfriend of college recruit Kenyon Stone (Rob Brown) alongside Timo Cruz's (Rick Gonzalez) drug-dealing saga.

From the point of the lock-out, the film drags slowly through the dramatic reactions of an agitated community. The film ends with a slight dramatic twist and six players heading to play ball in college.



Photo courtesy Paramount Pictures

Samuel L. Jackson plays Ken Carter in this based-on-a-true-story film about an inner-city basketball team.

U2 finds their roots as they learn How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb

By Vigneshwar Kalyanasundaram
Contributing Writer

The iPod has evolved recently with the release of the first and only special edition of the world's favorite mp3 player. It is a 20GB version in black with a red dial and is in honor of one of the most influential bands of our era — U2.

The band that started out as four teenagers brought together by drummer Larry Mullen Jr.'s ad on a notice board in a Dublin high school has come a long way with the release of what Bono describes as their "first song from their first album."

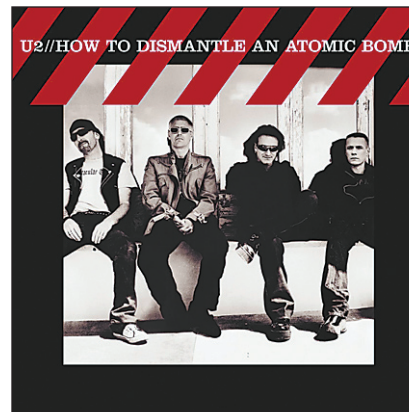
The recently released "Vertigo" has flooded radios around the world with its charming optimism in Edge's upbeat melody blended crudely with Bono's cynical lyrics. It opens their fourteenth album which is intriguingly called *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb*.

Fans across the globe waited with bated breath for the scheduled release of the album on Nov. 23. "Vertigo" was a very odd track for several U2 fans and the reactions ranged from "pleasantly shocked" to "terribly disappointed."

Upon first listening to the album, it sounds very much in

tune with U2's constantly changing image.

After the disappointment of *All That You Can't Leave Behind* which bordered dangerously on the mainstream, expectations were low for *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb*. Regardless, many of the tracks are trademark U2 characterized by a return to the basics by Edge in his tunes and the expected mix of satire, cynicism, piety and joy in Bono's songwriting.



"Vertigo" serves wonderfully well as the upbeat, happy-go-lucky song in the album. It is a good rock n' roll song dripping pleasantly with a disco-like theme.

"Miracle Drug" and "Sometimes You Can't..." sound like B-sides from *Joshua Tree* and slow down the tempo very nicely.

These tracks are reminiscent of U2 at their prime and one wonders if they are on the up just before their almost-confirmed induction into the Rock'n'Roll Hall of Fame.

"Love and Peace or Else" is a refreshing track that sees U2 go back to their boyhood tendencies to churn out classic rock. "City of Blinding Lights" follows as a

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In my role as the Two Bits Man, I get to write about a lot of random stuff.

From simple enumerations of what's pissing me off in a given week, to personal letters of burning hate to that fat-bastard cop who gave me a speeding ticket in crap-hole, Louisiana, all the way to the coming Zombiepocalypse. (Oh, you laugh now, but you won't be laughing when legions of the undead are fighting over who gets your wishbone.) Why, I've done it all.

Hell, I even got away with making a whole column into an ode to the size and magnificence of my wang. It's huge, by the way. Massive. If I turn around too fast, I have to buy new pants. But I digress.

To-

day, I indulge in my favorite of articles, the kind where I rip Tech a new one for being so hopelessly ridiculous, unfair, sadistic or borderline illegal.

I mean, if I don't bitch about the Institute, who will? Don't answer that. Now, to the business at hand.

Here, as I'm told the kids say, is the sitch: Let's say that I want to take a class.

Let's also say that this class is a history class and therefore protected for the, like, five HTS majors (wow, your parents must have *really* had their hearts set on you going to

Tech).

And let's say that I desperately need this class to offset a semester otherwise dominated with multi-variable calculus and—God help them, they try—incomprehensible TAs.

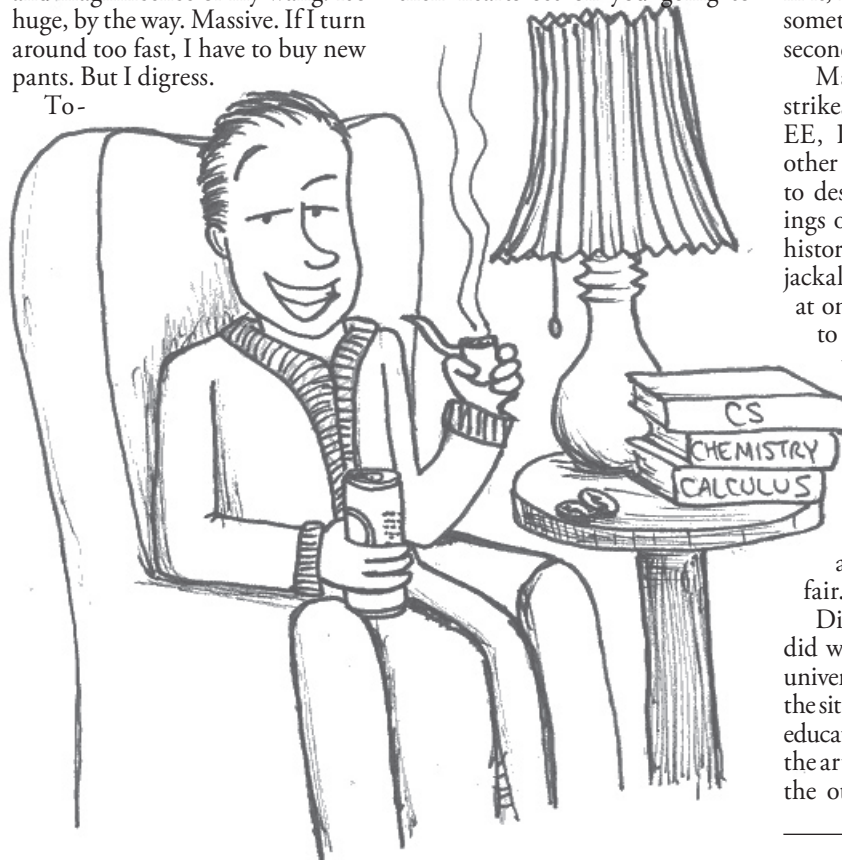
Given the above conditions, I think it's fairly obvious to anyone who's ever gotten up at 8:05 the first day of second period registration only to have their hopes for a better semester dashed knows just where it is I'm going with this.

How can a class, which, as of 7:59, had a grand total of five people in it, fill up to forty in the space of something on the order of thirty seconds? It's just not right.

Man, as soon as that clock strikes eight, all the CS, CompE, EE, Physics, Math and various other legitimate majors are forced to descend upon the paltry offerings of humanities, sociology and history classes like so many filthy jackals, tearing and clawing madly at one another in a desperate bid to get one, just one, *any* class that doesn't involve painful, eye straining programming assignments.

And all this just so Mr. "No, it's cool. I'm gonna work for my dad" can have first dibs on the history of ancient Rome. Hardly seems fair.

Did I not get a memo? When did we go from a fully accredited university to DeVry? As I understood the situation, a well-rounded college education included teachings in both the arts and sciences, not just one or the other. That's what vocational



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schools are for.

Was there a meeting? Was I not invited? Why? It's 'cause of my wang isn't it? Why do you hate it so? It loves you.

My wang has naught but love in its heart—or whatever—for all the peoples of the world, and it too demands an education in the humanities as well as the sciences.

Imagine it. My wang, conversive in Shakespeare. My wang, reciting the classics in their original Greek and Latin. And my wang, Master of Ceremonies for Tech's now tra-

“My wang has naught but love in its heart—or whatever—for all the peoples of the world, and it too demands an education in the humanities as well as the sciences.”

ditional performance of *The Vagina Monologues*. It could be a golden age for wangs everywhere.

But alas it is not to be. As it now stands, my wang and I must languish in this almost entirely science exclusive curriculum.

Damned by our choice of majors and schools to an existence composed almost entirely of resolving IP addresses and computing various points along the parabolic arcs of projectiles in motion. Truly, it is a tragic existence, indeed.

In conclusion, I'm not entirely sure where I was going with all of this, but I am certain of one thing: I have no idea how the hell it is that I turned this into yet another diatribe on my wang.

Kinsey gets it on with sex controversy

By James Eppler
University Daily

(U-WIRE) - What is the sexiest, kinkiest thing you ever have done? Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey would have wanted to know about it as he interviewed you for your sexual history for his 1948 book, *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male*.

Kinsey, a biology professor at Indiana University, spent years interviewing subjects about their sexual histories and came to some startling conclusions -- there's more than one sexual position, there are at least eight different ways sex takes place outside wedlock and masturbation is almost as essential to men as breathing.

In *Kinsey*, a biopic about the famed “sex doctor,” edgy writer/director Bill Condon delivers a film about a scientist who not only researches sex as a science unto itself, but who also does his share of experimenting.

Condon's film is very candid about its sexuality in a way that would have pleased the doctor.

The narrative is cleverly told as Kinsey (Liam Neeson) submits himself to one of his own “sexual history” interviews by his student associates. It provides a way to tell his story, without the cliched crutch of narration.

In his childhood, he was berated by an overbearing and over-religious father (John Lithgow in top form), who was fast to criticize and even faster to condemn. Young Alfred weeps with guilt after masturbating, and remains a virgin through his college years, possibly out of sheer fear.

After a severe falling out with his father, Kinsey goes to school to study biology and becomes fascinated with the gall wasp, to which he devotes years of study.

He soon becomes a professor of biology and falls in love with Clara



Photo courtesy Fox Searchlight

Dr. Alfred Kinsey, a biology professor at Indiana University in the 1940s and author of the highly controversial *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male*, is played by Liam Neeson in the biopic, *Kinsey*.

(Laura Linney), one of his students. The two are both virgins on their wedding night, and the film refuses to shy away from the difficulty and awkwardness of their first time.

But as the two experience their own sexual awakening, Kinsey starts to realize that few care about gall wasps as much as he does.

After a brief discussion with a naive young married couple, he decides what American society perceives as “normal” sexual behavior may not be what truly happens behind closed doors.

American society's attitude toward sexual practices, he thinks, is merely morality disguised as fact.

He decides to begin interviewing subjects to compile data for an extensive study on sexual behavior. Yet as he researches, he slowly begins to emerge from his own sexual box.

On a straight to gay scale of zero to six, he rates himself at about a

three. Because of this, he begins an affair with his assistant, Clyde (a wonderfully seductive Peter Sarsgaard, who already scored big this year in *Garden State*).

Kinsey's sexual experimentations, however, are depicted as just that -- mere science experiments. Diversity in sexuality, according to Kinsey, is a basic human need.

After the huge success of *Sexual Behavior and the Human Male*, Kinsey decides to write a book on female sexuality. But he begins to see the repercussions of writing such a controversial book.

The government soon begins to investigate him as a communist, his financial backers get scared off by the publicity and the idea of writing a book on female sexuality is simply too much for people to handle.

This is where Condon's film finds its greatest success, by demonstrating the hypocrisy of attitudes at the time

toward sexuality.

Liam Neeson delivers his best performance since 1996's *Michael Collins*. His *Kinsey* is a mixture of hard determination and thoughtful indulgence in forbidden pleasures.

Even better is Laura Linney as the wife of a devoted scientist who takes second place to her husband's work. But Linney never plays Clara as a victim. Rather, she proves to be the model of a strong, independent and liberalized woman.

Oscar nominations all around for Neeson, Linney, Sarsgaard and Bill Condon's bold screenplay, despite its few stumblings.

Turn-offs include Kinsey's father being dismissed too easily and the final scene in the film that lacks a needed bite.

Despite minute quibbles, *Kinsey* is an equally playful and powerful film that refuses to be forgotten like a one night stand.

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Well, I've got all of the attributes you listed. Why am I still single? Quit yer yappin'.

Beware the pad thai just off campus! It sent me to the can for a week!

Why didn't we get Spurrier? these are not my pants!

Test(s) on the day after your birthday should be banned.

Family Guy = rip off of The Simpsons

castro fell and broke his knee and ass watch the video it's funny as hell he looks like a goldfish

murray has a solenoid up his ass at 30 degrees

thank you, jude-law-look-alike, for increasing my attendance to physics 2

i want to be on you

Damn whores thought of every mistake i can make, and made it a choice on the Phys II test.

girl with bangs in cs1371 who sits by the window, i want in your pants

Cassi slept with Larry to get a B in Physics II.

I don't f*ck with your hammer so don't nail my wife.

King of No Pants is Gay!

fark.com

To the Graphics TA holding office hours on Thanksgiving: Do you really think anyone will show up?

Genericman Strikes Again! Mwah ha ha ha ha!

I thought AIM used to consume my life, but thefacebook.com is really going to be the bane of my existence.

There's a big beautiful planet in the sky. It's our home, it's where we live.

Genericman Strikes Again! Mwah ha ha ha ha!

Sexually Frustrated at GT should be the biggest group on facebook

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unknown future. Then, thankfully, the credits roll.

On a positive note, the lives of Dan and Carter are cleverly intertwined with crosscutting shots of both characters, but neither character seems to be fully developed.

Grace proves he is able to pull his weight in a big budget motion picture, while Scarlet Johansson seems to only be in the movie because she has been labeled Hollywood's latest "it girl."

We do learn that family is important, that even at 26 you still may not know what you want to do with your life and that it might take a lifetime of searching to truly find yourself, your true love, and something compelling to do with

your time and energy. We also learn that money cannot buy you happiness, but we have all heard that cliché before, right?

The movie comes full circle with its storyline, yet the lives of Dan, Carter and Alex are uncertain. Does Dan's job really provide more security for his family now? Will Alex date Carter when she is older? What profession will Carter seek next?

If you enjoy movies with lots of witty one liners, strong character development and closure, do not see this movie. Save the money you would have spent on the ticket and buy the soundtrack CD. The music was the highlight of the movie. Fourteen songs from artists such as Iron & Wine and David Byrne make for a relaxing and mellow CD, perfect for studying (or making out if you prefer).

"Save the money you would have spent on the ticket and buy the soundtrack CD."

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be loved back in return? Could this someone be Belle? Will Belle be able to see past his terrifying exterior?

The pompous clock, Cogsworth, the loveable teapot, Mrs. Potts, her son, Chip, the suave candelabra, Lumiere and the rest of the enchanted castle occupants add the much needed sparkle and charm to this otherwise lackluster production.

This lavish musical features all of the award-winning songs from the original Disney movie by composer Alan Menken and lyricists Howard Ashman and Tim Rice including a dazzling enactment of "Be Our Guest" where one gladly surrenders to the joy of being a guest at this magical feast as well as "Tale as Old as Time" performed with enthralling set decorations.

The production does fall short of expectations but is worth a watch because let's face it: how often does your cold dinner stand up and cabaret dance for your entertainment?

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vintage U2 track which could find a place in any of their past albums and would drive any U2 fan into a frenzy. The next track called "All Because of You" is a bit of a letdown to traditional U2-heads but is most likely to be released as the next single.

After this point in the album, the rest is a journey into uncharted waters for the band, but it definitely seems like they've found land. "Man and a Woman" demonstrates the experimental tendencies in Edge's head, as he toys brilliantly with a Spanish guitar. "Crumbs on Your Table" flows into "One Step Closer" to mellow the album into a ponderous mood.

The album reaches its end with "Original of the Species" which is bound to become a classic with Bono's self reflection on the band, changing moods rapidly through the song with a brilliantly allied melody by Edge. "Yahweh" is the album's token song on religion and

provides a soulful encore to a very continuous album. The songs are wonderfully produced by Steven Lillywhite who returned to produce this album after working with U2 on their first three.

How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb is a very good comeback album. It provides something for everyone ranging from traditional U2 tracks for nostalgic value to new material to surprise the old-timers. For the uninitiated, it will not be a baptism through fire and is a very likeable mix of songs.

Bono and Edge strive to push the barriers with experimentation while Mullen Jr. and Adam Clayton keep them tied down to the proven U2 formula with some meticulous drumming and energetic bass riffs.

Overall, the album seems to have the perfect balance that the band has been striving for all these years.

It makes perfect sense that the band sees it as their first album because this is the album they were trying to make when they started out.

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THEME CROSSWORD: APPRECIATION

By Robert Zimmerman
United Features

ACROSS

1. Sorrowful cry
5. First White House resi-
dent
10. Made tractable
15. Extravaganza
19. Glacial snow
20. Synagogue scroll
21. Arch
22. Bubbly drink
23. Start of a quip by Steven
Wright: 2 wds.
25. Part 2 of quip: 2 wds.
27. “__ Town”
28. Dismounted
29. Worship
31. BertÖs Muppet friend
32. Ballet star __ Makarova
34. Opening
35. Stigmatized
37. St. kin
38. __ belli
41. Seismic event
42. Part 3 of quip: 3 wds.
47. Obligation
51. Farm animal
52. Sprite in a play
53. Wagers
54. “Simpsons” bartender
55. Western Indians
59. Hip-hop’s Dr. __
60. Vigoda or Fortas
61. Toil
63. Peculiarity
64. Notched, as a leaf
66. Weight units for gems
67. Part 4 of quip: 2 wds.
71. Part 5 of quip: 2 wds.
73. Inns

74. Fiber plant
76. Blood vessel insert
77. Cordial flavoring
78. Destiny
79. Performed
81. Proclaims
84. A state: abbr.
85. Variety of apple
86. Wide open
88. The dawn personified
89. Paradise
91. Part 6 of quip: 4 wds.
96. Coal
98. Dilate
99. Heady quaff
100. Less distinct
103. Lennon’s widow
104. Head cold symptom
108. Perfect
109. Baked dessert with
fruit
111. Commotion
112. Macaw genus
113. Part 7 of quip: 2 wds.
116. End of the quip: 3 wds.
119. Diminutive suffix
120. Because of (with “to”)
121. Gladden
122. Gaelic
123. Rogers and Campan-
ella
124. Hammer and __
125. Roses
126. Moistens

DOWN

1. Bruckner or Chekhov
2. Hawaiian flower
3. Avoid
4. Ocean
5. Artist’s studio
6. Doomed ship Andrea __

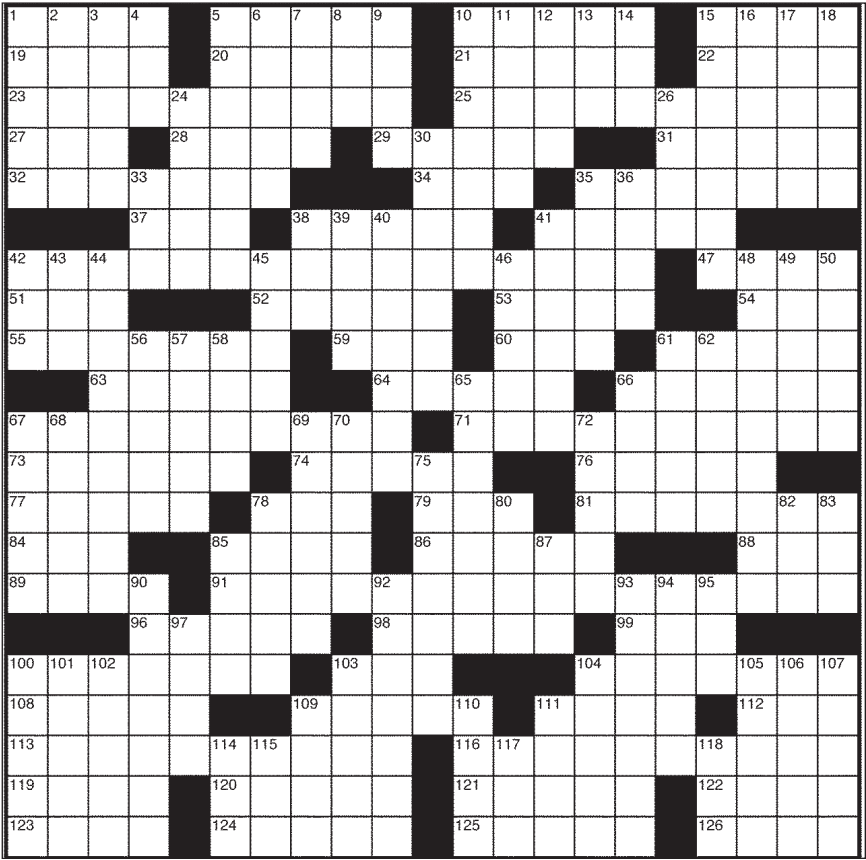
7. Smell ____
8. Periodical, for short
9. New York stadium
10. Go from bad ____
11. Greek marketplace
12. Silent performer
13. A Gabor
14. Lair
15. Rejected
16. Pursue relentlessly
17. “Kukla, Fran and __”
18. Walked through water
24. Throttle
26. Frail
30. Electronic booster
33. Ooh and __
35. Mesa relative
36. Light beams
38. Balloon basket
39. Eager
40. Clairvoyant one
41. Part of Canada
42. In medias __
43. Wonderment
44. Provisional
45. “__ la vista, baby!”
46. Degrade
48. Prepares for war
49. Lincoln’s assassin
50. Laconic
56. Sea eagles
57. Telegram
58. Put on __
61. Kind of printer
62. Hippodrome
65. Indebted
66. Attractive
67. Anglo-Saxon noble
68. Sharpened
69. Chemically differing
molecule
70. Saltpeter

72. Pale
75. Ballet duets
78. Paramour
80. Gentlewoman
82. Buck’s mate
83. Dir. Letters
85. Broccoli __
87. Nature god
90. Nullifies
92. Canopies
93. Pointed teeth

94. Wide awake
95. Word in a wedding an-
nouncement
97. A distance
100. Nerve strand
101. “____ a Nightingale”
102. Industrialist J. Paul __
103. Chimp’s cousin
104. Declare
105. Former name for Con-
go

106. German painter
107. __ alive!
109. Goatee location
110. Cry of relief
111. Read
114. Decompose
115. Playing card
117. Biblical priest
118. Cut down

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Hockey comes up short at Challenge

By Patrick Odneal
Assistant Sports Editor

More than 8,000 fans filled the Savannah Civic Center this past weekend to watch a sport that comes to town only once a year—ice hockey. The Tech hockey team, along with squads from Florida, Florida State and UGA, all competed to try to win the coveted Thrasher Cup.

However, for the second year in a row, the Yellow Jackets settled for second place after losing to the UGA Ice Dogs in the championship game.

On Jan. 14 Tech downed Florida State 3-2 to make it to the championship before losing to UGA 4-2 the following day.

In the Florida State game, Tech took the early lead by scoring two goals in the first period. Christian Gattung scored the first goal of the tournament about halfway through the first period off a pass from Chris Beauregard.

Later, with just 17 seconds left in the first period, Amos Fernandes added the second goal, scoring off a rebounded shot by John Warrick.

Florida State came back in the second period and tied the game at 2-2. This broke a scoreless streak that Tech goalie Nick Rice had held over the previous eight periods of play. He finished the game with 21 saves on 23 attempts by FSU.

Four minutes into the third period, Gattung scored his second goal of the night to give Tech the 3-2 lead that the squad held for the rest of the game.

Later that Friday night, Tech's biggest rival, UGA, beat Florida 6-0, which meant that the Tech-UGA game on the following day would determine the tournament champion.

The game was sure to be an



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The club hockey team lost narrowly to the UGA Ice Dogs in the Memorial Health Hockey Classic held in Savannah Saturday. Several skirmishes broke out between the two rivals.

entertaining event; the Ice Dogs were the defending champions, but Tech beat them 4-3 in their previous match on Nov. 12. Combine these two factors with the fact that thousands of rowdy fans would be watching. Then, add the clean, old-fashioned hate, and a great game of ice hockey is almost certain to ensue.

The game certainly matched all of the hype. From the beginning, the two teams scopped

for opportunities to smash each other into the boards. When the refs weren't looking, fists would fly and sticks went slashing, fueling the intense crowd.

"There were letting things go farther than [they] should just because that was getting the crowd excited [in the UGA game]."

James Waring
Freshman hockey forward

game, five men were in the penalty boxes as fans wondered when the No

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utes and finally Morrow made some shots and deflated them."

Morrow was more excited about his defensive play than his career night on offense after the game.

He deflected much of the attention on his shooting after the game by saying, "I just want to make sure I make better defensive plays than offensive plays. That's what I go into the game thinking."

Tech faced its final non-conference test of the break in a highly anticipated New Year's Day matchup against the Kansas Jayhawks. The Jackets ended Kansas' season last year, winning a thriller in the Elite Eight.

This time, Kansas returned the favor, defeating Tech. The Jackets pulled out to a quick lead, but could not hold it.

Tech seemed to lose its momentum after Elder, one of the team's senior leaders, and most productive scorer from the wing, left the game due to injury in the first half.

Despite 26 points from Jarrett Jack, Kansas, who never held a lead until overtime, rallied for a 70-68 victory in front of the deafening crowd at Allen Fieldhouse.

Effects of Tech's run to the title game last year could be seen over the break as all three games were played at almost full capacity, with crowds of over 9,000 for all three home games.

While Tech dropped its only tough games over the break to Gonzaga and Kansas, the impressive play by the freshmen is an encouraging sign.

Tech will need to see continual improvement from Morrow, Dickey and Fredrick to survive the brutal conference schedule and make another run come March.

All three of the freshmen were able to gain valuable playing time in the non-conference schedule to help prepare them for the rigors of ACC play.

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Genericman Strikes Again! Mwah ha ha ha ha!
I don't understand Reggie Ball...HOW ON EARTH do you just
toss the ball away on 4th down w/ game on the line????
uuuuuuuhj.
Can Chan.
Taylor Bennett for President.
A Home at the End of the World (Colin Farrell) -- best inde-
pendent film 2004!!
WHAT'S INSIDE THE FANNY PACK!?!
I wear my sunglasses at night.
it was a nice one, too.
he asked to borrow it, and then he just walked off with it.
i feel better now, but i still don't have my pencil
aww, the would-be pencil thief realized what he did and brought
my pencil back to me
matheson 4th floor is the best place to get whacked with balls
Dodgeball on matheson 4th is the best ever
who knew alexander the great was like totally eva?(eva=gay)
nirav from orlando, fl doesn't know how to put the TP on the
dispenser
this past technique - maybe thats why i caught my room mate
looking at animal porn... eww
forget that silly red bunny hop - i saw USHER and SNOOP
DOGG on campus
pop tart aint in fort wang y0
The 80s will never be cool, no matter what Jonathan says
this is to the one any only kid asking questions in jarrio's class
- SHUT UP
Hey old/crusty/farty alumni: stay home to watch basketball
games so poor students don't have to move 5 times
Also, why don't you participate in cheers every now and then?

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are forced into tough situations, but the team has not looked the same without Elder in the lineup.

Jack has taken over the scoring load so far in ACC play, averaging 19 points per contest, but the team has seen the offense stagnate at times without Elder in the lineup.

In the two losses in North Carolina last week, Tech was guilty of committing 36 turnovers while only recording 20 assists. This is a particular point of concern as Head Coach Paul Hewitt has stressed that the team's offense is much better when the Jackets pass the ball well.

On the bright side, the Jackets showed signs of being a much tougher and stronger team, mounting a furious comeback against N.C. State that just fell short, an effort the team certainly hopes will carry over to tomorrow's game.

Although ACC newcomer Virginia Tech is expected to finish in the lower half of the conference, Tech must come out ready to play against the Hokies. The team features a balanced attack with five players averaging more than nine points per game. Virginia Tech won its first ever ACC game against Clemson on January 15th and played a tight game against Florida State in Tallahassee, which is one of the most difficult places to play in the league.

Although it will be a difficult contest for the Jackets, it is certain they will welcome a chance to come home and "get well" against Virginia Tech, both literally and figuratively.

It is anticipated that Elder will return to practice this week and could play against Virginia Tech, and a difficult series of games is ahead for Tech.

The Jackets must stay focused and not look ahead, but the squad certainly is aware of a matchup against highly-regarded Wake Forest as well as trips to Maryland and Duke looming in the near future.

Young women's hoops squad impresses

By Vishal Patel
Contributing Writer

The women's basketball team has continued its dominance of non-conference games under head coach MaChelle Joseph. Entering ACC play last week, Tech had posted an impressive 10-4 record, which is comparable to last year's mark at the same point. What has changed is that the Lady Jackets are doing the job without the veteran senior leadership of last year's seniors and instead with the raw talent of their senior-less squad.

"Our approach has been totally different from all my years of coaching because the approach with this team has been to improve—every day, every game situation, and every practice we see is an opportunity to get better," Joseph said.

After a team-building road trip to Costa Rica and their first exhibition win against the EA Sports All-Stars since the 2001-02 campaign, this season began with five straight convincing home victories, the highlight of which was a 55-49 win over Georgia, No. 6 at the time.

Describing the home win against the Bulldogs, Joseph said, "It was special because we could set that precedent this early on I think it goes a long way in establishing a rivalry that will be one of the best rivalries in college basketball."

This past week, Tech came back to Atlanta for a two-game homestand

including their ACC home opener in a loss to Virginia and a dog fight with ranked Maryland before the Terps proved too tough to handle.

Finally, they went to Durham to challenge the top-ranked Duke Lady Blue Devils. They made their mark on the game, posting the largest lead any team has had on the Lady Devils this season at 15 points only to see it slip away with a 33-10 run by Duke to go ahead of the Lady Jackets.

"I would like for us to have a winning record," Joseph said. "I would like for us to make postseason play, but this year the ACC is tougher than it has ever been and we are younger than we have ever been and that is a dangerous combination. I like this team, I am excited about this team, and their desire to compete is one of the best I have seen."

To really grasp how well this team has done, it's important to realize that seven players play at least 20 minutes—three of which are freshman, including guard Chioma Nnamaka from

Sweden, and guard Jill Ingram from North Carolina. Those two are the second and third leading scorers on the team, respectively.

This is an exceptionally young bunch; the team does not have a single senior on the roster. Although this might lead one to believe that the team lacks experience and leadership, the team had put its trust into guard Stephanie Higgs, from Lawrenceville. Prior to the season opener, half of her teammates voted her to emerge



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The women's basketball team beat UAB 74-49 on Jan. 3. The team's success against non-conference teams has led to a 10-4 record. The young team does not have a senior on its roster.

as the player with the most surprising upside. Through 14 games, she has emerged as an effective leader, pacing the team with 14.2 points a game, grabbing 4.7 rebounds a game, and placing second on the team with 2.0 assists per game and 1.7 steals per game.

Junior forward Jessica Williams said, "My expectations for this season are really that we come together as a team, not so much as how many wins we get or many losses we have but that we [strive] to get better every single game, every single practice, every single day and I think then the wins will come."

Much like for the men's hoops squad, defense has been the key to success for the Lady Jackets, who are second in the ACC in field goal percentage defense, holding opponents to less than 35 percent

shooting. The team is also third in the ACC holding opponents to less than 54 points per game.

"I think our defense has set the tone," Joseph said. "We've been fortunate to hold a lot of the top teams in the country to below 60 points and any time you do that you give yourself an opportunity to win... One of the trademarks I have tried to instill in the last year and a half is that we are going to rebound and we are going to play defense."

Walking into Joseph's wide and spacious office, one could not help but to look around. Looking to the left, a white board full of quotes—some religious, most of them motivational—caught my eye. Sticking out happened to be a quote very descriptive of Coach Joseph's philosophy; "Every problem is actually an opportunity in disguise."

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Yes, in fact, I have killed many people because I play and enjoy VIOLENT video games. I even killed your little brother last week

Violent video games teach me that the most effective way to kill someone is to circle-strafe them while bunny-hopping
And who needs ladders? I just rocket-jump whenever I need to get on the roof

Hi, I'm a old/crusty/farty alumni and I'm going to come to the game at half-time and kick poor students out of their squatted seats...

...and then I'm going to leave with 5 minutes left in the game (a.k.a. eternity)

One day when I am old and farty, I promise to watch basketball games at home, so that one student can have a good seat that otherwise would've gone to my shriveled-up butt

Wow, the irony: I flunked Fluid Mechanics because I partied too much that semester, but now I work for Jose Cuervo.

I don't wanna work today. My manager's a prick. Got me looking at a car when we haven't even finalized coverage.

And the claimants won't file 1st party.

Maybe that's why everyone in my office drinks so much.

Guess I better get in the shower and go to work. Take it up the ass, like any other day.

No

what the hell, someone stole my freaking play-doh.

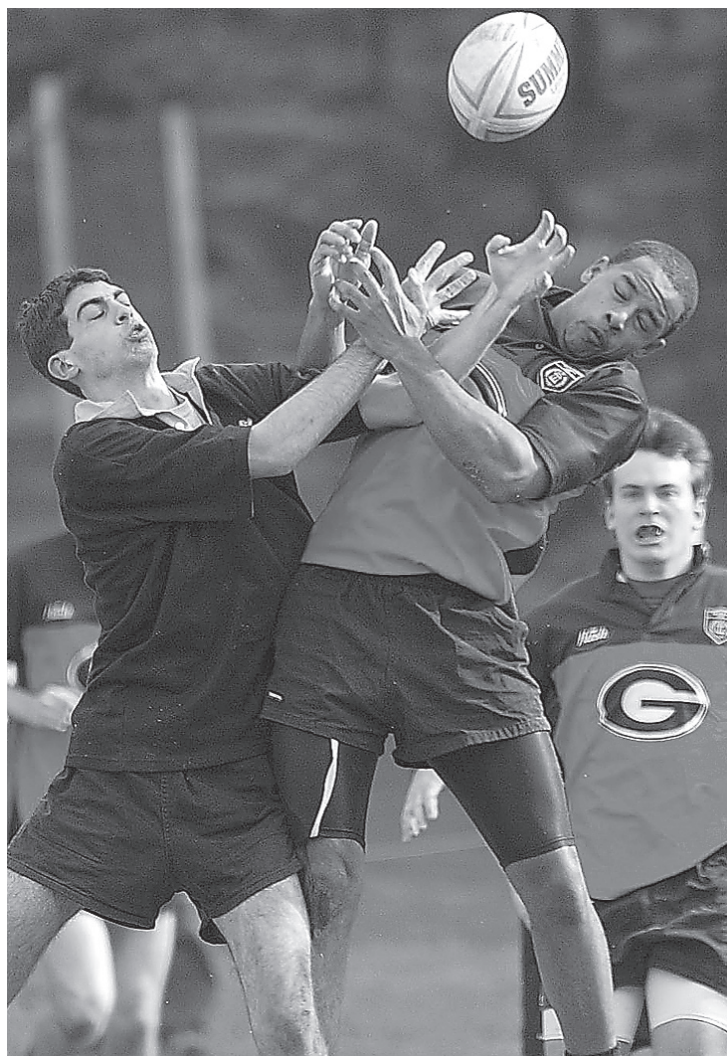
Um...hello, Technique? Your online version went from THWUGA issue to the one that preceded it...

um...hello, we're on vacation.

Let's get on top of your game here...those of us that aren't on campus would like to read the slivers

interesting...TWO uga math courses equal calculus 1 at Tech!

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By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Burger Bowl Brawl: Tech's rugby team battled rival University of Georgia on Saturday. They came away victorious, defeating UGA 13-10. Diehard fans came out to watch the contest in the freezing weather. The team plays Clemson University tomorrow at Woodward Academy. You can also catch them in action against Auburn at the Burger Bowl on February 5.

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out. The Jackets added two more touchdowns in the third quarter along with a safety in the waning moments of the fourth quarter to earn the win.

With Jon Tenuta returning as defensive coordinator and suffering only the loss of James Butler at safety, the Tech defense should be one of the top defenses in the land next season. At season's end, the NCAA statistics for the season have the Jackets in the top 25 across the board.

The Jackets are 12th in the nation in total defense allowing just less than 300 yards a game. The rushing defense was 13th giving up just over 100 yards a game, and could have been even better if Eric Henderson had not missed the first three games of the season. In those games, the Jackets gave up 525 yards on the ground, including the 42 that they gave up against Samford.

In the remaining nine games of the season the defense gave up 758 yards on the ground and held six of these opponents to under 90 yards. The passing and scoring defenses were ranked 24th and 21st respectively.

The major question mark for next season will be the production from the offense. Tech loses three offensive linemen in Andy Tidwell-Neal, Leon Robinson and Kyle Wallace. They also lose starting fullback Jimmy Dixon and receivers Nate Curry and Levon Thomas.

Not only will Gailey and offensive coordinator Patrick Nix have to replace these key players, but they will also have to improve on one of

the worst offenses statistically in Division 1-A.

The lone statistical bright spot for the Jackets is that the team ranks 49th in the nation in rushing yardage, gaining 162 yards per game, but the running game is the only position where the Jackets rank in the top 80 nationally out of 117 schools.

After the strong performance in the Champs Sports Bowl, the Jackets impressed several members of the national media, and the Jackets should be ranked in the top 25 for

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Reggie Ball Sophomore quarterback

the first time under Chan Gailey when the season opens.

Next season, the Jackets will face one of the most difficult schedules in the nation. They will open up on the road against Auburn. Tech will also be traveling to play Virginia, Virginia Tech and Miami while hosting Georgia in the annual Thanksgiving weekend game.

The key areas of concern for next season will be if Reggie Ball can develop over the spring and on into the fall as the kind of quarterback that can lead the Jackets to the next level.

Ball admitted to a great trans-

formation in the way he approached the game over the past couple games of the season. If more performances like the one he turned in at the Champs Sports Bowl are the result, it could be a great junior season for the quarterback.

“I felt that I didn’t have to prove anything. Last two games of the season, the Georgia game and this game, I felt I carried a load into the games and in the back of my mind I kept feeling like I had to prove something to everybody. But, for these last two games of the season, I thought, ‘just forget it and play.’ I knew what I could do and what I was capable of,” Ball said.

The other key will be if the Jackets can find the replacements that it needs on the offensive line, and can be healthy enough throughout the season to not look like a MASH unit. If the offense can catch up with the defense, Tech will be a strong team to contend with next season, and could vie for the ACC title if not being a major player on the national scene.

The Auburn offense and defense will be losing several key components as will Virginia Tech, Miami and Georgia. The door is open for Tech, but if the offense doesn’t improve, the Jackets will be staring down the barrel of another mediocre season, and the school record for consecutive bowl appearances could come to an end. However, if the offense from the Champs Sports Bowl shows up next year, with a poised Reggie Ball, an electrifying Calvin Johnson and a strong rushing attack led by P.J. Daniels, the Jackets could be headed back to the upper echelon of college football.

Holiday schedule prepares hoops for ACC play

By Joseph Jeong
Contributing Writer

Tech defended their home court over the holiday break, but couldn't remain amongst the undefeated as they lost to a hot Gonzaga team in Las Vegas.

They fended off admirable challenges from James Madison, Charleston Southern and Lafayette despite playing unimpressively over extended stretches. Tech took care of business at home despite some bumps, but it could not overcome good shooting by Gonzaga on the road and had to settle for a 3-1 record over the Christmas holidays.

The non-conference slate, which ended with a heartbreaking overtime loss at Kansas, helped prepare the Jackets for ACC play and set a rotation. The injury of freshman standout Jeremis Smith early in the season was also smoothed by the non-conference schedule.

Tech opened the break with a game against a familiar face but on the other side of the court. James Madison's coach Dean Kenner was an assistant on Coach Paul Hewitt's staff until last season.

Hewitt credits Kenner for bringing the tough defensive play for which Tech is now known, and Kenner has brought the same mentality to James Madison as evidenced by their first half performance where they held Tech to just 36 percent shooting from the field.

However, Tech responded with its own tenacious defense and shut down JMU's offense as well holding them to just 17 points and 18 percent shooting from the field in the first half. Eventually, superior athleticism and talent came through, and Tech won by a comfortable 25-point margin, 72-47. Hewitt, pleased with the defensive performance, said "Defensively, we're very good and we'll get better."

However, he was not too pleased with the offense, particularly the passing ball.

"We've got to pass the basketball better. When we pass the ball, we're a very good offensive team. When we don't pass the ball, we have some trouble scoring," Hewitt said.

No Tech player had a particularly strong offensive showing, but a balanced attack with 4 players in double digits led by Isma'il Muhammad's 14 points, secured

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Paul Hewitt
Basketball head coach

the win.

After seeing off James Madison, Tech flew out to Las Vegas for their only road game during the break, against Gonzaga. This time round, despite an excellent game from Will Bynum, Tech was unable to remain among the nation's unbeaten as they fell to the Zags 85-73.

Despite an admirable job of holding down Gonzaga's talented forward Ronny Turiaf, who was battling some nagging injuries, Tech was unable to contain Gonzaga's duo of Adam Morrison and Derek Raivio. Morrison put up 24 points despite the Jacket's best defensive efforts and Raivio chipped in with a career high 21 points to hold off a late rally.

Morrison and Raivio combined to shoot 18 for 29 from the floor. Even more impressive

was the fact that most of Morrison's and Raivio's points came tough outside jumpers. "I don't want to give anyone the idea we were giving up layups. Morrison made a lot of tough shots," Hewitt said after the game.

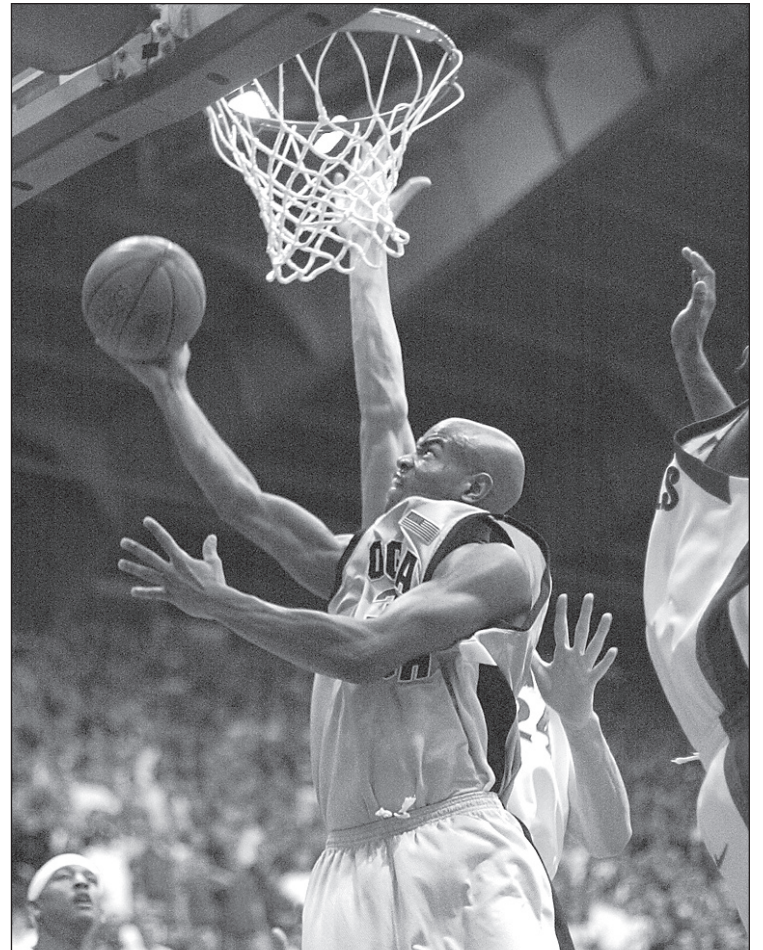
Coming off that tough road loss, Tech responded by turning in their best performance over the holidays with a 90-48 win over Charleston Southern. In true Hewitt style, this was a complete team effort as all 12 Tech players got minutes and five players scored in double digits.

The only black mark of the game was the benching of senior B.J. Elder in the second half. Hewitt was tight-lipped about the whole situation, saying it was just a decision he made.

Amongst the many bright spots of the game though, it was the play of Tech's freshmen trio, Ra'Sean Dickey, Anthony Morrow and Zam Fredrick, that stood out. They combined to score 26 points and pull down 10 rebounds, going nine for 17 from the field. Hewitt was full of praise for the freshmen after the game. "You're going to see those guys play a little more because the one thing [they] can do is score. They can really score: Zam, Anthony, Ra'Sean. I've just got to find a way to get them into the lineup, Anthony in particular," he said.

Hewitt's words were prophetic as Tech closed out the year with a 92-58 win over Lafayette, led by Morrow's career high 20 points. On paper, everything went as expected in Tech's 34 point win. Lafayette's a non-scholarship program with just one returning starter who happens to be coming back from an injury.

The final score indicated it was indeed a blowout, what it failed to show was how tough Lafayette played and how the game was not



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

In a rematch of last year's Elite Eight game, Tech lost to Kansas in overtime on a New Year's day game played in Lawrence, Ks.

in the bag until the last five or so minutes of the game. Tech turned in one of their least impressive performances during the break, but thanks to the continual improvement of Morrow and Dickey, and just an overwhelming edge in athleticism, this game turned into a blowout in the waning moments.

Morrow's career night was punctuated by big shots that deflated the valiant Lafayette Leopards rally. Dickey also continued his impressive play with 15 points in 15 minutes. Anchored by the strong

performances by the freshmen duo, Tech's bench actually outscored the starters 47 to 45 in this game.

Hewitt was effusive in his praise for Coach Fran O'Hallan and his team, "Fran's team played very well today. They put on a clinic on how [run] to that motion offense that we [also] run. The final score was certainly not indicative of how well Lafayette played. They played extremely well, they ran their offense to a T. They got whatever they wanted for 35 min-

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real commitment to excel, traveling to the competition drop zone in Florida once a month to train. The team chose to travel rather than to jump locally both because of weather concerns and to gain as much knowledge of both the plane and area they would be using to jump at Nationals.

Up to 20 practice jumps were made each weekend, rapidly increasing the team’s knowledge and experience with the formations they would be expected to create.

Despite the fact that a typical jump from 10,500 feet would result

in approximately 65 seconds of free fall, in competition divers are only given 35 seconds in which to try and earn points.

“Twenty years ago, people said that a five-man formation was impossible. [Our 12-man formation] just goes to show you how far the sport has come. ”

Kevin Patrick
Skydiving team member

Each team is given a set of four formations drawn from a published pool of formations to which all teams have access.

On a competitive jump, teams are expected to accurately cycle through the set as rapidly as possible, earning a point for each formation successfully completed, so familiarity and precision

are key to a strong showing.

A cameraman brought by the team jumps with them, recording all of the actions during the jump so judges can evaluate the team’s work

once they reach the ground.

The team also traveled to Orlando several times to work in a vertical wind tunnel. This provided longer periods to work on their individual skills, as well as group work.

At \$10 per minute, however, not a second was wasted by the team, even though that does, as Patrick noted, “make it cheaper than [what] that much free fall during jumps [costs].”

Outside of the four-man team competition, the weekend was just as much of a success for other Tech skydivers. A two-man team, GT Propel, took second place. In individual competition, Adam Chamely and Shane Migliore took first and second respectively in the Intermediate Sport Accuracy event.

Geoffrey Loy took second place in the Novice Sport Accuracy Event. Furthermore, the GT Fusion Freefly duo of Patrick and Bartlett took fourth place in the freefly test event. The weekend culminated for the Tech participants with a group dive that linked all 12 Yellow Jacket divers in

one formation.

“Back twenty years ago, people said that a five-man formation was impossible. It just goes to show you how far the sport has come”, Patrick said. Twelve Tech divers linked together in a single formation set a new school record.

This competition was the last for several of the divers involved. GT Fusion’s members are all graduating in the next three semesters, so the next group of Tech skydivers is needed.

The club has facilities at Skydive Atlanta and meets every Monday in room 251 of the CRC from 6 to 7 p.m.

The success of Fusion is evidence

that this is a sport that can be quickly learned given the time and resources needed. The club encourages any interested individual to come by a meeting.

The seven jumps and several hours of classroom training needed to become a certified skydiver can be done in a week, or stretched over several months, depending on weather, resources and time constraints.

For those that have experienced it, the feeling is like

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Kevin Patrick
Skydiving team member

no other. “When you are about to jump out of a plane, anything else going on in your life stops,” Patrick said. “Looking out, it is like you are jumping into a picture.”

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Pathetically (or maybe not), ive been thinking about the girl I met at the library for a long time!
time to move on with everything
Win Yuschenko win KGB’s after me, heeeeeeeelp!
Bread makes me poop
mangoes are yummy!!!!
I <3 Nique
Being graduated is great. I love not having homework or group projects.
presidential or personal, sometimes its good to trim the bush
Announcing Tech’s Most Eligible Bachelor Website...
To those with Many, Mini bottles at library during finals. Cheers.
So there were three functions at a bar... and in walks Mr. Differentiation Man...
I always leave the water running at the sink to compensate for the water-free urinals at the Student Center.
I just decided to Double Major, Bless me!
Apparently my Physics II professor wants me to be able to tie my shoes using math and science.
Baka.
Hello World
Women’s bball...it’s so quiet it’s like walking into K-Mart
It’s depressing to an extent
Eat at Moe’s ... if you wanna spend 8 dollars for a burrito.
canchan.com
The south’s liveliest newspaper is anything but lively & their sports page sucks
This school needs more green..
I’m a real boy!
We’re losing!!!
Save a tree ... eat a beaver.
“Sliver me timbers”? Sounds painful.
It’s the third day of school and I’m already freakin tired
bombs go “ka-pluey” not “ka-boom”
Feminists suck.
To the physics whiners: Take it like a woman! Now, Bend!

Football rolls past Orange, looks to future

By Michael Clarke
Senior Staff Writer

For the second consecutive season, Tech football goes into the off-season riding high with confidence after drubbing the Syracuse Orange 51-14 in the Champs Sports Bowl on Dec. 21. The Jackets capped off the season with their third consecutive seven-win season under Chan Gailey.

Last season the Jackets defeated Tulsa 52-10 in the Humanitarian Bowl but were unable to take that momentum to end the season in the top 25. With this year's win, the Jackets kept the number-one bowl winning percentage in college football of .667, and are 6th with 22 bowl victories just behind Penn State and Oklahoma.

"In general there were six good weeks and five bad weeks," Gailey said. "These guys played real hard and our coaching staff did a great job. I'm really proud of this coaching staff."

The Jackets scored on four of their first six possessions, which also included the end of Travis Bell's school-record streak of 15 consecutive made field goals on

a 48 yard attempt on the Jackets' second possession of the game. Bell ended the year making 15 of 17 field goals with a new school record for accuracy by a placekicker of .882. The mark also put the first-year kicker 5th overall in the nation in accuracy.

The Jackets strong performance was led by the arm of Reggie Ball, who threw for two touchdowns and 207 yards along with one interception. Ball garnered Most Valuable Player honors for the game.

"I don't know statistics, I know [Ball] performed extremely well in the ball game [against Syracuse]."

Chan Gailey
Football head coach

not only happy for the team, but I'm happy for him as an individual."

P.J. Daniels also looked like his old self after recovering from the knee problems that sidelined him for much of the latter part of the season. Daniels rushed for 119 yards on 17 carries.

Chris Reis picked off a pass from Syracuse quarterback Perry Patterson on the second play of the game and took it 20 yards for the touchdown. The Orange answered with a quick touchdown, but failed on the extra point to bring the score



By Charles Frey / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

P.J. Daniels scored two touchdowns and ran for 119 yards to help the Jackets beat Syracuse 51-14 in the 2004 Champs Sports Bowl. It was Tech's eighth bowl appearance in as many years.

to 7-6. That would be all they could manage until the outcome was no longer in question as the Tech defense was determined not to give up anything easy.

After the Orange touchdown, Ball led the Jackets on a 10-play, 80-yard drive that took up less than four minutes on the clock. The drive was capped with Calvin Johnson catching a ten-yard fade route in the back of the end zone.

Tech closed out the first quarter with an 80-yard touchdown pass as Ball hit senior Nate Curry in stride going down the sidelines to give Tech a commanding lead.

The stifling defense of the Jackets held the Orange to a three and out on the ensuing possession, and the special teams unit came up big blocking the punt and giving the Jackets' the ball at the Orange 14-yard line, where Daniels capped off

a four play drive with a two-yard touchdown run.

After trading punts, Syracuse pinned Tech down at the six-yard line, but their defense couldn't stop the Jackets on this night. The offense marched down the field mostly unopposed in ten plays that ended with Johnson taking an end around in for the score from five yards

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Tech's hockey club faced the rival UGA Ice Dogs in the finals of the Thrasher Cup in Savannah over the weekend. Page 26

A LOOK BACK AT DISASTER

Members of the Tech community with ties to affected areas detail the disastrous tsunami and its aftermath. Page 11



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1,859

The number of kills that Lynnette Moster made in her career at Tech, putting her first on the school's list in that category. Moster was the first person in ACC history to earn all-American honors three times. She now plays professional volleyball in Puerto Rico.

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The pre-season national rankings of the baseball team—The Yellow Jackets rank No. 13 in *Collegiate Baseball's* preseason poll and No. 19 in the poll from *Baseball America*. The team returns 20 letter winners from last season including shortstop Tyler Greene who was selected as a preseason All-American by *Collegiate Baseball*. The season opener is Feb. 11 against Georgia State, which will be played on campus at Russ Chandler Stadium.

6-2, 6-1

Score by which No. 25 ranked Tech athlete Jose Muguruza beat No. 2 ranked Ryler DeHeart of the Univ. of Illinois at a men's tennis tournament in Puerto Rico. The team picked up 24 wins at the Puerto Rico Classic on Jan. 13-15, facing tough competition from schools such as the University of California and the University of Illinois. The men's team is currently playing in the USTA/ITA National Indoor Championships.

58' 7.50"

Distance in feet and inches that senior Zeb Sion threw the shot at the Kentucky Invitational on Jan. 15, a new school record that broke the old mark he had also set. Sion was named a Wendy's Student Athlete of the Week for Jan. 17 along with track and field star Chaunte Howard and tennis ace Jose Muguruza. The track and field team travels to Johnson City, Tenn. for the Niswonger Invitational indoor meet this week.

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Final ranking of the Tech volleyball team in the *USA Today/CSTV* Top 25 Coaches Poll. It is the third straight year that the team ended the season ranked in the top 25. The volleyball team finished with an overall record of 27-7 and were 16-0 in ACC play before advancing to the Sweet Sixteen in the NCAA tournament.

Skydivers rise to occasion



PHOTO COURTESY OF GT SKYDIVING

Tech's skydiving team forms a 12-way formation. The club has been extremely successful over the past few years, and it came away with a second-place finish in the four-way competition this season.

By Andy Holt
Contributing Writer

The Tech skydiving club leapt into competition over the semester break, with 12 students making the trip to the National Collegiate Skydiving Championships in Florida.

Several of the club's teams did extremely well in the competition. GT Fusion, with members Jonathan

Bartlett, Rebecca Murray, Kevin Patrick and Elizabeth Stoner, took second place, failing to beat out a team from the Air Force Academy by a single point.

GT Airlock, with members Omar Mireles, Shane Migliore, Adam Chamely, and Nate Fisher captured fourth place. Viscosity, with Tech members Allison Yasitis and alum Craig Sellars, took third.

This is quite a feat for the relatively inexperienced Tech squad. Three out of the four members of GT Fusion have been jumping only since October of last year.

Bartlett, a more experienced skydiver, "acted as sort of a player-coach for us," Patrick said.

The members of the team made a

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Hoops looks to bounce back

By Kyle Thomason
Sports Editor

Coming off of consecutive losses in North Carolina, Tech is looking to pick up their third ACC victory against Virginia Tech this Saturday at 4 p.m. in the friendly confines of Alexander Memorial Coliseum, where they are undefeated this year.

In splitting its first four ACC games, Tech has had to adjust to playing without B.J. Elder, the team's top scoring wing player. Elder's absence has pushed freshmen Anthony Morrow and Ra'Sean Dickey into a great deal of action in ACC play and has expanded the roles of several other players such as Mario West.

The Jackets have come to rely on the freshmen and expect production from them on a nightly basis.

"There's nothing catching us off guard, we're putting them in there to produce and Anthony Morrow and Ra'Sean Dickey are playing great minutes for us and hopefully they keep it up throughout league play," said junior point guard Jarrett Jack.

This experience will undoubtedly prove helpful for the Jackets as the season progresses and these players

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By Scott Meuleners / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Jarrett Jack scored 24 points and was 10 for 10 from the foul line, but it was not enough to down the Tarheels on their home floor.

sports shorts

Moster signs pro volleyball contract

During the winter break, Lynnette Moster, a 2004 volleyball All-American, signed a one-year professional contract with the Carolina Gigantes of the Puerto Rican professional league. In her first game with the Gigantes, Moster led the team with 17 kills and 13 block assists. Follow her professional career (and brush up on your Spanish) at www.LasGigantes.net.

Howard qualifies for NCAA meet

Women's track star Chaunte Howard won the high jump at the Kentucky Invitational indoor meet on Jan. 15 with a mark of 6'1.50". That is an automatic qualifier for the indoor NCAA championships. At the same event, she also earned automatic qualifiers for the 200-meters and the 60-meter hurdles. For her achievements, Howard was named a Wendy's Student Athlete of the Week.

Women's tennis at Mich. Invitational

Kacie Anson and Dasha Potapova were undefeated in both singles and doubles play at the 2005 Michigan Invitational as they helped propel Tech to a very strong tournament finish. The women's team won 21 of 22 singles matches and seven of nine doubles matches. They competed against players from LSU, Michigan and Eastern Michigan. The team starts their long dual-match season this semester.

Choice transfers from Oklahoma

Tashard Choice, a running back from the University of Oklahoma, transferred to Tech this semester. He will have to sit out the upcoming 2005 season and will have two seasons of eligibility remaining when he takes the field in 2006. Choice was a local standout in high school, playing at Lovejoy in Clayton County.

Football players on All-Bowl Teams

Following Tech's impressive 51-14 thrashing of Syracuse in the Champs Sports Bowl, several Jackets were honored for their performances. Reggie Ball was selected as MVP of the game, lineman Brad Honeycutt was named to ESPN's All-Bowl team, paving the way for 286 rushing yards for the offense. Freshman defensive tackle Darryl Richard was named to *Sports Illustrated's* All-Bowl Team, registering two sacks.